

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John A. Hart, Jr.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act Prohibiting the Advertisement of Fireworks.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

John A. Hart, Jr.

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S00916 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ADVERTISEMENT OF FIREWORKS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 39 of chapter 148 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the third paragraph the following paragraph:-
3 Whoever advertises the sale, use or possession of fireworks shall be punished by a fine of not
4 less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment in a house of correction for not more
5 than 1 year, or by both such fine and imprisonment. For the purposes of this section, “advertises”
6 shall mean: (1) to cause a public announcement to be made, by means of radio, television,
7 newspaper, flyer, catalog, billboard, mobile or stationary sign, or by any other means, in which a
8 person’s name or business name style appears, and which offers to sell or transfer fireworks; or
9 (2) to cause a person’s name, or business name style to be included in any classified
10 advertisement or directory for the purpose of the sale or transfer of fireworks