

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mr. Brown

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 relative to campaign accounts of judges.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Richard R. Tisei	Middlesex and Essex
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CAMPAIGN ACCOUNTS OF JUDGES.

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 7 of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words “seven A” in line 50 the
3 following words:- , seven B

4 SECTION 2. Said chapter 55 is hereby amended by inserting after section 7A the
5 following section:-

6 Section 7B. No candidate or candidate’s committee may continue to maintain a campaign
7 fund or account subsequent to being confirmed to a position under the Massachusetts
8 Constitution Part 2, Chapter 2, Section 1, Article 9. Such a candidate or candidate’s committee
9 shall discontinue said account by dispersing, or returning committee funds not later than fifteen
10 days after being confirmed or the day of taking the oath of office, whichever comes first. Such
11 expenditures of funds shall be done in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

12 Said candidate or candidate's committee shall file a report, pursuant to the provisions of this
13 chapter, detailing the closing of said campaign fund, not later than ten days after the final
14 dispersal of any funds from said fund.