SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Frederick E. Berry (BY REQUEST)

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 the administration of the government.

PETITION OF:

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 4 § 7, is amended by amending the following language in the twenty-sixth paragraph of § 7 as follows:

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- Twenty-sixth, "Public records" shall mean all books, papers, maps, photographs, recorded
- 6 tapes, financial statements, statistical tabulations, or other documentary materials or data,
- 7 regardless of physical form or characteristics, made or received by any officer or employee of
- 8 any agency, executive office, department, board, commission, bureau, division or authority of
- 9 the commonwealth, or of any political subdivision thereof, or of any authority established by
- the general court to serve a public purpose, and/or the trial court, or any other court, unless
- such materials or data fall within the following exemptions in that they are: