

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

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 composition of the boston pilots commission.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Plymouth

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01407 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOSTON PILOTS COMMISSION.

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 2 of Chapter 103 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out said section and inserting place thereof the
3 following:-

4 Section 2. There shall be five commissioners of pilots for district one and one deputy
5 commissioner of pilots for each of the other three districts; provided that of the five
6 commissioners of pilots for district one, one shall be Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland
7 Security or his designee, one shall be the Commander of the First Coast Guard District
8 Commander, Maritime Define Command One or his designee, and one member shall be the
9 Harbormaster for the City of Boston or his designee; and provided further that at least one
10 member of the commissioners of pilots for district one shall possess a valid first class federal
11 pilotage license. On or before December first in any year when their terms of office expire, their

12 successors shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, for
13 terms of three years. A deputy commissioner of pilots for any district shall be a resident of a
14 town having a landing place accessible to vessels from the sea situated within that district. In this
15 chapter, the word "commissioners" shall be held to mean, as to district one, the commissioners of
16 pilots for said district and, as to each other district mentioned in section one, the deputy
17 commissioner of pilots for such district. They shall have experience in maritime and nautical
18 affairs. Appointments of commissioners for district one shall be made upon the recommendation
19 of the trustees of the Boston Marine Society provided such recommendation is made.
20 Appointments of commissioners for districts other than district one may be made upon the
21 recommendation of said trustees. No commissioner for any district shall be such a trustee.