

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 requiring a firearms licensing authority to provide a receipt for firearm license applications.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Plymouth

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01405 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT REQUIRING A FIREARMS LICENSING AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE A RECEIPT FOR
FIREARM LICENSE APPLICATIONS.

*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. Clause (e) of section 131 of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing
2 in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 149 after the words “carry or possess
3 firearms.” by inserting the following:- “The licensing authority shall provide to the applicant a
4 receipt indicating that it received the applicant’s application and said receipt must be provided to
5 the applicant within seven days by mail if the application was received by mail or immediately if
6 the application was made in person; provided further, that the receipt must include, but is not
7 limited to, the applicants’ name, the applicant’s address, the applicant’s current license number if
8 any, the applicant’s current license expiration date if any, the date when the application was
9 received by the licensing authority, the name of the licensing authority and its agent that received
10 the application, the licensing authority’s address and telephone number, the type of application,
11 and whether it is an application for a new license or renewing an existing license; provided

12 further, that a copy of the receipt shall be kept by the licensing authority for no less than one year
13 and a copy shall be furnished to the applicant if requested by said applicant; provided further,
14 that the department of public safety shall promulgate rules and regulations for the
15 implementation standardized receipt form and record keeping.”