

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2941**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Cleon H. Turner**

*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 increasing the excise tax on alcoholic beverages.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3910 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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### AN ACT INCREASING THE EXCISE TAX ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

*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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the  
2 excise on alcohol as described in section 21 of chapter 138 of the General Laws shall be increased by five  
3 cents in each category delineated therein except alcohol sold in containers of one gallon or less which  
4 shall be increased by three cents. Collection and payment of the additional excise shall be as described in  
5 said section 21.

6           SECTION 2. All of the revenue received as a result of the additional excise shall be used by the  
7 municipal police training committee for recruit, veteran in-service and specialty training for town and city  
8 police officers.