

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 550**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

**Joseph F. Wagner**

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*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 senior centers.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Joseph F. Wagner

8th Hampden

Stephen J. Buoniconti

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 625 OF 2007-2008.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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**AN ACT RELATIVE TO SENIOR CENTERS.**

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

- 1 Chapter 19A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-
- 2 Section 41. The department of elder affairs may expend such sums as may be appropriated for the
- 3 establishment and encouragement of senior centers. The department may contract with any city or town,
- 4 any department or agency thereof to provide for the construction of senior centers. The department shall
- 5 also represent the Commonwealth in the receipt and disbursement of funds made available to the
- 6 commonwealth from any private source for the construction of senior centers. Grants made under this
- 7 section shall not exceed 1/3 of the costs of construction.