

HOUSE No. 557

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John J. Binienda

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 prohibiting certain election practices.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John J. Binienda	17th Worcester
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester
Cory Atkins	14th Middlesex
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Kathi-Anne Reinstein	16th Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 632 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN ELECTION PRACTICES.

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. Chapter 56 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after section 41A the following section:—

3 Section 41B. No political party, political committee or person, including but not limited to a
4 candidate for elective office or a supporter thereof, shall register a web site that could be
5 identified as the web site of another person who is an elected official, or a candidate or potential
6 candidate for elective office. Whoever knowingly violated this section shall be punished by a
7 fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months.

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