

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 646**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Bradley H. Jones, Jr.**

*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 the disclosure of expenditures by subvendors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Bradford R. Hill	4th Essex
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Robert S. Hargraves	1st Middlesex

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

## AN ACT REQUIRING THE DISCLOSURE OF EXPENDITURES BY SUBVENDORS.

*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 18 of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official  
2 Edition is hereby amended by inserting after clause (8) the following clause:-

3 (8A) the amount or value, date and purpose of each expenditure more than one hundred dollars  
4 made in a reporting period, made by an agent or independent contractor, including any vendor or  
5 subvendor, on behalf of or for the benefit of a candidate or candidate's committee. Expenditures  
6 which must be reported include: (a) expenditures to any person, other than an employee of the  
7 agent or independent contractor, for advice, analysis, or campaign management services,  
8 including but not limited to analysis, advice, or management services in connection with  
9 development of campaign strategy, campaign management, design or management of campaign  
10 literature or advertising, campaign fundraising; and (b) expenditures to any person, other than an  
11 employee of the agent or independent contractor, who furnishes the candidate or committee with  
12 products or services which show how the campaign is conducted, including but not limited to  
13 expenditures for printed campaign literature, advertising time or space, campaign buttons and  
14 other campaign paraphernalia, surveys, polls, signature gathering and door-to-door solicitation of  
15 voters, facilities, invitations, or entertainment for fundraising events and postage for campaign  
16 mailings.

17 SECTION 2. Section 32 of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official  
18 Edition is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following paragraph:-

19 No expenditure of one hundred dollars or more shall be made, other than overhead or  
20 normal operating expenses, by an agent or independent contractor, including, but not limited to, a  
21 political consultant or advertising agency, on behalf of or for the benefit of any candidate or  
22 candidate's committee unless it is reported by the candidate or candidate's committee as if the  
23 expenditure were made directly by the candidate or candidate's committee. The agent or

- 24 independent contractor shall make known to the candidate or candidate's committee all
- 25 information required to be reported by section 18 of this chapter.