

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1410**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act relative to bank robberies and collection of fraudulent checks..

*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 1 of Chapter 167C, as appearing in the 2006 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by adding, the following definitions:

3           “Affiliate”, any company that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with  
4 another company.

5           “Commercial Activities”, activities in which a bank holding company, a financial  
6 holding company, a national bank or a national bank financial subsidiary may not engage under  
7 federal law.

8           SECTION 2: Section 3 of Chapter 167C is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the  
9 first paragraph the following sentence: A bank or an out-of-state bank may not establish or  
10 maintain a branch in the commonwealth on the premises or property of an affiliate if the affiliate  
11 engages in commercial activities as defined under 12 U.S. C 1841 et.seq...