HOUSE No. 1574

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David B. Sullivan

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act further regulating exits in sports complexes..

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:David B. Sullivan6th Bristol1/20/2011

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By Mr. Sullivan of Fall River, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1574) of David B. Sullivan relative to further regulating the location of exits in sports complexes. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2283 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

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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 97 A of chapter 143 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008

Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (a) the following paragraph:-

The board of building regulations and standards shall require the owner of any building

or structure or portion thereof, that includes a place of business designed or used for occupancy

as a nightclub, sports complex, dance hall, discotheque, bar, or for similar entrainment purposes,

6 to install a luminescence egress route to all emergency exits and be placed at floor level. Said

egress routes shall be powered by electricity and have a back up battery in case of a power

failure. Said egress route systems shall meet state building code and fire code standards for heat

9 resistance to be a viable safety path in extreme fire and smoke events.