

HOUSE No. 2991

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ryan C. Fattman

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 to reduce the costs for adoption.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>1/21/2011</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Robert L. Hedlund</i>		<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>

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By Mr. Fattman of Sutton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2991) of Ryan C. Fattman and others for legislation to grant a tax credit to certain attorneys who provide free legal services for adoption cases. Revenue.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to reduce the costs for adoption.

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 6 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new subsection:
- 3 (q) There is hereby established a credit for licensed Massachusetts attorneys who provide
- 4 pro bono legal services in at least one adoption per year. The credit shall be no more than \$2500
- 5 in each tax year.