

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3601**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Stephen Stat Smith***

*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 relative to checks issued by the Commonwealth or municipalities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Stephen Stat Smith</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/29/2011</i>

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By Mr. Smith of Everett, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3601) of Stephen Stat Smith relative to checks issued by the Commonwealth or municipalities. Financial Services.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to checks issued by the Commonwealth or municipalities.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 167D of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 27, the  
2 following section:—

3 Section 27A Any bank, as defined by section 1, or credit union chartered in the  
4 commonwealth shall have the obligation to settle, as defined in clause (11) of section 4—104 of  
5 chapter 106, with any patron who presents a negotiable or transferable instrument which has  
6 been issued by the commonwealth or any municipality within the commonwealth. The bank or  
7 credit union shall have this obligation whether or not the patron is a customer the bank or credit  
8 union as defined in clause (5) of said section 4—104.