

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 644**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Michael A. Costello*

*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 creating an amusements and attractions board.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Michael A. Costello</i>	<i>1st Essex</i>	<i>1/19/2011</i>

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By Mr. Costello of Newburyport, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 644) of Michael A. Costello relative to creating an amusements and attractions board. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act creating an amusements and attractions board.

*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 205A of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

3 There shall be in the department, under the control of the commissioner of public safety,  
4 an amusements and attractions board. This board shall consist of the commissioner or a  
5 member

6 of the department designated by the commissioner, and ten persons appointed

7 by the governor for terms of four years, of whom two shall be mechanical engineers  
8 licensed by Massachusetts Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Professional  
9 Land Surveyors, two shall be persons who each own or operate an amusement park, two shall be  
10 persons who each own or operate a carnival or mobile show, one shall be a person who owns or  
11 operates a fair or fairgrounds, one shall be a person who owns or operates a waterpark or a  
12 family entertainment center, one shall be a person engaged in a business generally related to

13 amusements and attractions business, and one a representative of the public. Notwithstanding the  
14 foregoing, the terms of the initial six gubernatorial appointees shall be as follows: two appointees  
15 for a two-year term; two appointees for a three-year term; and, two appointees for a four-year  
16 term.

17           The commissioner of public safety shall provide the board with such clerical and other  
18 assistance

19           and inspectional personnel as may be necessary to carry out the duties of the board.

20           After a hearing, the board shall adopt, and may from time to time amend or revoke, rules  
21 and regulations in conformance with the standards and guidelines of ASTM for the inspection,  
22 assembly, erection, installation, design, construction, major modification, operation, and  
23 maintenance of amusement rides and amusement devices and for the licensing and certification  
24 of inspectors thereof.