

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 753**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*James M. Cantwell*

*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 raffles and bazaars..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/19/2011</i>

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By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 753) of James M. Cantwell for legislation to exempt charitable organizations from certain tax and reporting requirements relative to raffles and bazaars. Revenue.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2715 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to raffles and bazaars..

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

1           The 8th paragraph of section 7A of chapter 271 of the General Laws, as appearing in the  
2   2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-

3           Any non-profit charitable organization whose officers and directors are volunteers, and  
4   whose sole mission is to support community residents, when conducting a raffle or bazaar for  
5   charitable purpose, shall be exempt from filing a return with the lottery commission and further  
6   exempt from the five per cent tax on the gross proceeds derived from such raffle or bazaar.