HOUSE No. 822

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Antonio F. D. Cabral

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 price adjustment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:Antonio F. D. Cabral13th Bristol1/18/2011

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By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 822) of Antonio F. D. Cabral for legislation to include a price adjustment clause in state awarded contracts. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2968 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:

Section 39O of chapter 30, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended

2 by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, contract,s awarded as a result

4 of proposals or invitation for bids issued under sections 38A½ to 38O, inclusive, of chapter 7;

5 section 11C of chapter 25A; section 39M of this chapter; and sections 44A to 44H, inclusive, of

chapter 149, exceeding \$100,000 shall include a price adjustment clause for each of the

7 following: fuel, both diesel and gasoline, asphalt, concrete and steel. A base price for each

material shall be set by the awarding authority or agency and included in the bid documents at

the time a project is advertised. The awarding authority or agency shall also identify in the bid

documents the price index to be used for each material or supply. The adjustment clause shall

- provide for a contract adjustment to be made on a monthly basis when the monthly cost change
- 12 exceeds +/- 5 per cent.