

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1629**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

*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 controlling fixed costs of state government.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

*Paul Adams*

*Richard T. Moore*

*17th Essex*

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1629) of Bruce E. Tarr, Paul Adams and Richard T. Moore for legislation to control fixed costs of state government. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

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An Act controlling fixed costs of state government.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the  
2 human resources division shall institute a hiring freeze on all executive branch appointments.  
3 State agencies may petition the human resource division for approval to rehire not more than ten  
4 percent of positions that become open through attrition during the hiring freeze. The hiring  
5 freeze shall remain in effect until the size of the executive branch workforce returns to 2004  
6 levels.

7           SECTION 2. This act will take effect on July 1, 2011.