

SENATE No. 644

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Frederick E. Berry, (BY REQUEST)

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 furnishing transcript of notes or CDs; fees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Stefano Picciotto

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

418 Lafayette Street Salem, MA 01970

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By Mr. Berry (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 644) of Stefano Picciotto for legislation relative to furnishing transcript of notes or CDs; fees. The Judiciary.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to furnishing transcript of notes or CDs; fees.

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. Chapter 221§ 88, is amended by adding the following language:

2 Section 88. Upon request of the presiding justice or any party, the stenographer shall
3 furnish a transcript of his/her notes, or any part thereof, or a copy of the CD, taken at a trial or
4 hearing, for which he shall be paid by the party requesting it at the rate of three dollars per page
5 for the original and one dollar per page for each additional copy ordered at the same time. In the
6 event that daily copy is ordered by the presiding justice or any party, the rate shall be four dollars
7 and fifty cents per page for the original copy and one dollar and fifty cents per page for each
8 additional copy. In the event that a CD is ordered, the cost of the CD shall be fifty dollars. If
9 transcript is ordered by the presiding justice or, in a criminal case, by the district attorney,
10 payment therefor at the same rate shall be made by the administrative office of the trial court
11 upon a voucher approved by the presiding justice and, in a criminal case, the charges of
12 transcripts furnished to said justice and to the district attorney shall be taxed like other expenses.
13 If the presiding justice orders that a statement given to the police be transcribed, all parties shall

- 14 receive a copy, and payment therefor shall be at the same rate and made by the administrative
- 15 office of the trial court upon a voucher approved by the presiding justice.