

HOUSE No. 3272

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

George N. Peterson, Jr.

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 the term of firearm licenses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>1/30/2013</i>
<i>Matthew A. Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2013</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>	<i>1/30/2013</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/31/2013</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/29/2013</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/25/2013</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/28/2013</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2013</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>1/26/2013</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>1/23/2013</i>
<i>Michael R. Knapik</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>	<i>1/31/2013</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/21/2013</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2013</i>
<i>Richard T. Moore</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2013</i>

<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/23/2013</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>1/24/2013</i>
<i>Michael J. Rodrigues</i>	<i>First Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>1/24/2013</i>
<i>Dennis A. Rosa</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>1/24/2013</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>1/30/2013</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Daniel B. Winslow</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>

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By Mr. Peterson of Grafton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3272) of George N. Peterson, Jr. and others relative to the terms of firearm licenses and exempting certain persons from paying firearms license renewal fees. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to the term of firearm licenses.

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 129B of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, shall be amended by striking paragraph (9) in lines 170 to 186 and replacing it
3 with the following:-

4 (9) A firearm identification card shall be valid unless revoked or suspended.

5 SECTION 2. Section 131 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
6 Official Edition, shall be amended by striking in paragraph (i) in lines 231 to 245 the words “A
7 license to carry or possess firearms shall be valid, unless revoked or suspended, for a period of
8 not more than 6 years from the date of issue and shall expire on the anniversary of the licensee's
9 date of birth occurring not less than 5 years but not more than 6 years from the date of issue,
10 except that if the licensee applied for renewal before the license expired, the license shall remain
11 valid for a period of 90 days beyond the stated expiration date on the license, unless the
12 application for renewal is denied if the licensee is on active duty with the armed forces of the
13 United States on the expiration date of his license, the license shall remain valid until the
14 licensee is released from active duty and for a period of not less than 90 days following such
15 release. Any renewal thereof shall expire on the anniversary of the licensee's date of birth
16 occurring not less than 5 years but not more than 6 years from the effective date of such license.
17 Any license issued to an applicant born on February 29 shall expire on March 1.” and replacing it
18 with the following:-

19 license to carry or possess firearms shall be valid unless revoked or suspended.

20 SECTION 3. Section 131 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
21 Official Edition, shall be further amended by striking in paragraph (i) in lines 271 to 274 the
22 following:-

23 Any person over the age of 70 and any law enforcement officer applying for a license to
24 carry firearms through his employing agency shall be exempt from the requirement of paying a
25 renewal fee for a Class A or Class B license to carry.