

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Shaunna O'Connell***

*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 implementation of regulations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Shaunna O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>2/11/2014</i>
<i>Leah Cole</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>	<i>2/12/2014</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/14/2014</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/18/2014</i>
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/12/2014</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/12/2014</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>	<i>2/13/2014</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>2/12/2014</i>
<i>James J. Lyons, Jr.</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>2/14/2014</i>
<i>Leonard Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>2/12/2014</i>
<i>Richard T. Moore</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/18/2014</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>	<i>2/18/2014</i>
<i>Dennis A. Rosa</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>2/12/2014</i>

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

By Mrs. O'Connell of Taunton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Shaunna O'Connell and others relative to the implementation of regulations. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen**

An Act relative to the implementation of regulations.

*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. The fifth paragraph of section 6 of chapter 30A of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and  
3 inserting in place thereof the following sentence:-

4 Regulations other than emergency regulations, which are adopted pursuant to sections 2  
5 and 3, shall become effective only 1 year after being published in accordance with this section,  
6 or, in the case of any regulation as to which a later effective date is required by any law, or is  
7 specified in such regulation by the agency adopting the same, upon such later date or upon 1 year  
8 after such publication, whichever last occurs.

9 SECTION 2. Said fifth paragraph of said section 6 of said chapter 30A, as so appearing,  
10 is hereby further amended by adding the following sentences:-

11 During the period between the adoption of, and effective date of, a regulation other than  
12 an emergency regulation, the agency enforcing or administrating such regulation shall provide  
13 information to those businesses or industries affected by the regulation by, either: (i) holding a  
14 public hearing, notice of which shall be published at least 14 days prior to the hearing in an  
15 appropriate newspaper, trade, industry or professional publication; or (ii) contacting the business  
16 or industry directly through mail or electronic mail. Such information shall include, at a  
17 minimum, a summary of the regulation, its intended purpose, and its anticipated impact on the  
18 business or industry.