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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Josh S. Cutler, (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 non-compete agreements for veterinarians.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Dr. David Diamond</i>	<i>60 Winter Street Duxbury, MA 02332</i>	<i>1/16/2015</i>

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By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 175) of Dr. David Diamond relative to non-compete agreements for veterinarians. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act relative to non-compete agreements for veterinarians.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 official edition, is hereby  
2 amended by adding the following section:-

3           Section 59B. Any contract or agreement which creates or establishes the terms of a  
4 partnership, employment, or any other form of professional relationship with a veterinarian  
5 registered to practice veterinary medicine pursuant to section fifty five, which includes any  
6 restriction of the right of such veterinarian to practice veterinary medicine in any geographic area  
7 for any period of time after the termination of such partnership, employment or professional  
8 relationship shall be void and unenforceable with respect to said restriction; provided, however,  
9 that nothing herein shall render void or unenforceable the remaining provisions of any such  
10 contract or agreement.