

HOUSE No. 2802

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Keiko M. Orrall

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 to improve transparency and access to the code of Massachusetts Regulations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>	<i>1/16/2015</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/22/2015</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>1/23/2015</i>
<i>Bradford R. Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>	<i>2/3/2015</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2015</i>
<i>Leonard Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>1/26/2015</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>1/21/2015</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/29/2015</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2015</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/21/2015</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps Lee</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>1/20/2015</i>

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By Mrs. Orrall of Lakeville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2802) of Keiko M. Orrall and others for legislation to establish a commission to research and assess opportunities to increase accessibility to the Code of Massachusetts Regulations. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act to improve transparency and access to the code of Massachusetts 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 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there is hereby established a
2 commission to research and assess opportunities to increase accessibility to the Code of
3 Massachusetts Regulations, hereby known as the CMR. The commission shall examine and
4 determine if there are ways to make the CMR easier for public viewing through a direct online
5 portal. The commission shall consist of: the secretary of the commonwealth or a designee, who
6 shall serve as chair; the Commonwealth Chief Information Officer or his designee; 2 members of
7 the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader; 2 members of
8 the senate, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader; and 3 persons to be appointed
9 by the governor. The commission shall commence within 2 weeks of the effective date of this act
10 and shall meet at least four times. Within 12 months of passage of this bill, the Commission
11 shall present a report on its findings and recommendations.