

**SENATE . . . . . No. 142**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*James B. Eldridge*

*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 protect consumers in the issuance of sports and entertainment tickets.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                    | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:              |
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| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> |
| <i>Sean Garballey</i>    | <i>23rd Middlesex</i>          |
| <i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i> | <i>8th Middlesex</i>           |

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By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of James B. Eldridge, Sean Garballey and Carolyn C. Dykema for legislation to protect consumers in the issuance of sports and entertainment tickets. 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 to protect consumers in the issuance of sports and entertainment tickets.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, an operator of a  
2 place of entertainment, or operator's agent, shall not employ a paperless ticketing system unless  
3 the consumer is offered an option at the time of initial sale to purchase the same tickets in some  
4 other form without additional fees.