

HOUSE No. 3484

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mike Connolly

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 limiting campaign contributions from outside the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2017</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Kenneth J. Donnelly</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Mark C. Montigny</i>	<i>Second Bristol and Plymouth</i>	

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By Mr. Connolly of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3484) of Mike Connolly and others relative to limiting campaign contributions from outside the Commonwealth. Election Laws.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act limiting campaign contributions from outside the Commonwealth.

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 6A of chapter 55 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding
2 the following paragraph:-

3 A candidate and such candidate's committee shall not accept a contribution in amount
4 greater than \$500 from a political action committee which is organized outside the
5 commonwealth.

6 SECTION 2. Section 6B of said chapter 55 is hereby amended by adding the following
7 sentence:- A ballot question committee shall not accept a contribution in amount greater than
8 \$500 from a political action committee which is organized outside the commonwealth or an
9 individual who resides outside the commonwealth.

10 SECTION 3. Section 7A of said chapter 55, as amended by chapter 156 of 2016, is
11 hereby further amended by adding the following subsection:-

12 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the aggregate of all contributions
13 by an individual who resides outside the commonwealth for the benefit of any 1 candidate and
14 such candidate's committee shall not exceed the sum of \$500 in any 1 calendar year.

15 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the aggregate of all contributions by an
16 individual who resides outside the commonwealth to any other political committee shall not
17 exceed the sum of \$500 in any one calendar year.