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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Shawn Dooley and Richard J. Ross, (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>David W. Diamond</i>	<i>60 Winter Street; Duxbury, MA; 02332</i>	<i>12/1/2017</i>
<i>Ilene H. Segal</i>	<i>245 Warren Drive; Norfolk, MA; 02056</i>	<i>12/1/2017</i>

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By Representative Dooley of Norfolk and Senator Ross (by request), a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dr. David W. Diamond and Dr. Ilene H. Segal relative to non-compete agreements for veterinarians. Labor and Workforce Development.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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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 2016 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 55 of this chapter, which includes  
6 any restriction of the right of such veterinarian to practice veterinary medicine in any geographic  
7 area 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.