

SENATE No. 1899

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 tourism collaboration.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Bruce E. Tarr

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex and Middlesex

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1899) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to tourism collaboration. Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1804 OF 2015-2016.]

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

An Act relative to tourism collaboration.

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, the
2 Massachusetts Convention Center Authority shall develop and promulgate regulations to permit
3 the placement, maintenance and operation of kiosks for the promotion of tourism to regions of
4 the Commonwealth in the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, the John B. Hynes
5 Veterans Memorial Convention Center, the MassMutual Center in Springfield, and at North and
6 South Stations. Said regulations shall limit the number of such kiosks to no more than one per
7 county of the Commonwealth, and shall contain provisions including, but not limited to, the
8 following:

9 1) A process by which applications for kiosk space are received from regional tourism
10 and hospitality organizations and analyzed, approved or rejected;

- 11 2) Any relevant dimensional requirements and/or limitations on the dimensions of kiosks
12 permitted pursuant to this section;
- 13 3) Any necessary maintenance requirements for such kiosks;
- 14 4) Any necessary regulations governing the appearance of such kiosks;
- 15 5) A prohibition on the authority or the Commonwealth bearing any cost for the
16 placement, maintenance, or operation of such kiosks; and
- 17 6) Any relevant requirements for the staffing of such kiosks so as to comport with the
18 operational standards of the facilities in which they are placed, provided that nothing herein shall
19 be construed to require that individuals staffing such kiosks be compensated or be subject to a
20 collective bargaining agreement.