

SENATE No. 399

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Diana DiZoglio

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 enhancing disclosure of campaign finance activity by expanding the depository reporting system to include legislative candidates.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>First Essex</i>	
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Edward J. Kennedy</i>	<i>First Middlesex</i>	<i>2/6/2019</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>5/8/2019</i>
<i>Michael J. Barrett</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>	<i>5/8/2019</i>

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By Ms. DiZoglio, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 399) of Diana DiZoglio, Patrick M. O'Connor and Edward J. Kennedy for legislation to enhance disclosure of campaign finance activity by expanding the depository reporting system to include legislative candidates. Election Laws.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)

An Act enhancing disclosure of campaign finance activity by expanding the depository reporting system to include legislative candidates.

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 18 of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 official edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 18-28, clause (a).

3 SECTION 2. Said section 18 of said chapter 55, as so appearing, is hereby further
4 amended by striking out, in lines 76-79, the following words: “(1) the same days and in
5 accordance with the same schedule as set forth in clause (a), if the political committee is aiding
6 or promoting the success or defeat of one or more candidates in a state primary, special or
7 general election: (2)”.

8 SECTION 3. Said section 18 of said chapter 55, as so appearing, is hereby further
9 amended by striking out, in lines 116-120, the following words in clause (h): “;provided,
10 however, that candidates for the state senate or house of representatives, the nonelected political
11 committees organized on behalf of such candidates, and political action committees, that file

12 with the director, shall also file mid-year reports on or before the twentieth day of July in each
13 odd-numbered year.”

14 SECTION 4. Said section 18 of said chapter 55, as so appearing, is hereby further
15 amended by striking out, in line 144, the following words: “clauses (a) and (b)” and inserting in
16 place thereof the following words:- clause (b).

17 SECTION 5. Said section 18 of said chapter 55, as so appearing, is hereby further
18 amended by striking out, in lines 150 and 158, the following: “(a)”.

19 SECTION 6. Section 19 of said chapter 55, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
20 striking out, in lines 1-5, the following words: “Candidates for nomination or election to the
21 offices of governor, lieutenant governor, state secretary, attorney general, state treasurer and
22 receiver general, state auditor, governor’s council, district attorney, clerk of court, register of
23 probate, registrar of deeds, county commissioner, county treasurer and sheriff,” and inserting in
24 place thereof the following words:- Candidates for state or county office, candidates for.