

HOUSE No. 3109

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Natalie M. Blais

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 access to statements of financial interest.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>2/10/2021</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>9/29/2021</i>

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By Ms. Blais of Sunderland, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3109) of Natalie M. Blais relative to access to statements of financial interest filed with the State Ethics Commission. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)

An Act relative to access to statements of financial interest.

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 3 of chapter 268B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by striking out subsection (d) and inserting in place thereof the following
3 subsection:-

4 (d) make statements and reports filed with the commission available for public inspection
5 and copying during regular office hours upon the written request of any individual who provides
6 identification acceptable to the commission, including his affiliation, if any, at a charge not to
7 exceed the actual administrative and material costs required in reproducing said statements and
8 reports. The commission shall cause to be published on its website statements and reports filed
9 with the commission in a read-only format; provided, that the commission shall redact all
10 personal information exempt from disclosure pursuant to clause 26 of section 7 of chapter 4. The
11 commission shall be authorized, in its discretion, to exempt from public disclosure those portions
12 of a statement of financial interest filed pursuant to section 5, which contain the home address of

- 13 the filer. The commission shall notify the person whose statement has been examined by
- 14 forwarding said written request, if applicable;