HOUSE No. 306

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Colleen M. Garry

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 cardholder surcharges.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:Colleen M. Garry36th Middlesex1/18/2023

HOUSE No. 306

By Representative Garry of Dracut, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 306) of Colleen M. Garry relative to credit card surcharges. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act relative to cardholder surcharges.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 28A of chapter 140D of the General Laws, is amended by striking

out, in line 7-9, the words "(2) No seller in any sales transaction may impose a surcharge on a

cardholder who elects to use a credit card in lieu of payment by cash, check or similar means."

4 and replace it with the following words: "(2) A seller in any sales transaction may impose a

5 surcharge of one half of the processing fee on a cardholder who elects to use a credit card or

debit card in lieu of payment by cash, check or similar means. The charging of the surcharge fee

7 shall be clearly stated on the bill or invoice prior to payment."