

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Steven S. Howitt

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 corporate filing requirements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>1/10/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3056 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to corporate filing requirements.

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 3B of chapter 7 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “function” in line 14, the
3 following words:-

4 provided, that no additional surcharge shall be assessed due to payment method where
5 such method, whether by check, credit card, electronic means or other instrument, is approved
6 for use;

7 SECTION 2. Section 63 of Chapter 109 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022
8 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out clause (b) and inserting in place thereof the
9 following clause:-

10 (b) The fee for filing the annual report shall be \$450, or such amount as the secretary
11 shall designate; provided, however, that no additional surcharge shall be assessed due to payment
12 method where such method, whether by check, credit card, electronic means or other instrument,
13 is approved for use.

14 SECTION 3. Section 16.22 of Chapter 156D of the General Laws, as appearing in the
15 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:- (d) When filing said
16 annual report, no additional surcharge shall be assessed due to payment method where such
17 method, whether by check, credit card, electronic means or other instrument, is approved for use.