

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Brian M. Ashe

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 service of civil process fees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>1/14/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1384 OF 2023-2024.]

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

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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:

1 SECTION 1: Chapter 262 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended, in Section 8, subsection (a) by striking out sub, subsections (1) and (2) and
3 inserting in place thereof the following sections:-

4 (1) for service of an original summons, trustee process, subpoena or scire facias, either by
5 reading it or by leaving a copy thereof, \$30 for each defendant upon whom service is made,
6 except as otherwise provided herein;

7 (2) for service of an original summons and complaint for divorce or for any other service
8 required to be served in hand, \$45 for each defendant upon whom service is made;