

**SENATE . . . . . No. 204**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***John J. Cronin***

*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 transparency in credit card fees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>John J. Cronin</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Adam J. Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>5/29/2025</i>
<i>Steven George Xiarhos</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>6/20/2025</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>6/25/2025</i>
<i>Pavel M. Payano</i>	<i>First Essex</i>	<i>11/25/2025</i>

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By Mr. Cronin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 204) of John J. Cronin for legislation relative to transparency in credit card fees. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2565 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to transparency in credit card fees.

*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 28A in Chapter 140D of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out paragraph (2) and inserting in place thereof the  
3 following paragraph:-

4           (2) A seller in any sales transaction who imposes a surcharge on a cardholder who elects  
5 to use a credit card in lieu of payment by cash, check, or similar means shall inform the  
6 purchaser of the surcharge by a sign conspicuously posted on the seller’s premises, as well as on  
7 every receipt which shall identify the amount of such surcharge and its relationship to the seller’s  
8 cost of accepting credit cards.