SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William N. Brownsberger

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 advertising for justices of the peace.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:William N. BrownsbergerSuffolk and Middlesex

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 917 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act relative to advertising for justices of the peace.

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 58 of chapter 207 of the 2022 official edition is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after the words "advertise his" the following:- "or her";
- And further, by inserting after the words "telephone number," the following:- "email
- 4 address,";
- And further, by striking the words "newspaper, magazine, telephone directory or other
- 6 publication of general circulation" and replacing it with the following:- "printed or digital public
- 7 media, such as a telephone directory, electronic or computer accessed justice of the peace
- 8 directory, newspaper or other periodical, or through written, electronic, computer-accessed or
- 9 similar types of communication, including websites, social media platforms, and digital video
- 10 platforms";

- And further, by striking the following:- ", that if a justice of the peace uses a business
- 12 card".