

HOUSE No. 289

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Danielle W. Gregoire

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 veterans' and other private clubs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>

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By Miss Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 289) of Danielle W. Gregoire and others for legislation to authorize certain private clubs to operate gaming devices. Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to veterans' and other private clubs.

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

1 Chapter 23K of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 Section 72. Upon application the commission may license a private club to operate a
3 gaming device. Each such gaming device operated in a private club shall be separately licensed
4 pursuant to regulations promulgated by the commission. As used in this section the term
5 “private club” shall mean a not-for-profit entity that is comprised of members who collectively
6 belong to (i) a veterans’ organization incorporated or chartered by the Congress of the United
7 States, or otherwise, having 1 or more affiliated chapters or branches incorporated in any state;
8 or (ii) a society, organization or association of a fraternal nature that operates under the lodge
9 system, and have 1 or more affiliated chapters or branches incorporated in any state.