

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Keiko M. Orrall

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 to Enhance Tourism at the State House.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Keiko M. Orrall	12th Bristol
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Bradford R. Hill	4th Essex
Robert L. Hedlund	Plymouth and Norfolk
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex
Mathew Muratore	1st Plymouth
Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden
John F. Keenan	Norfolk and Plymouth
Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex
Timothy R. Madden	Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
David F. DeCoste	5th Plymouth
Jeffrey N. Roy	10th Norfolk
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex

By Mrs. Orrall of Lakeville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2926) of Keiko M. Orrall and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to enhancing tourism at the State House. Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

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

An Act to Enhance Tourism at the State House.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there is hereby 2 established a commission to research and assess opportunities to enhance tourism at the State House. The commission shall examine and determine if there are ways to increase retail sales 3 4 through the State House bookstore and other gift kiosks. The commission shall consist of: the 5 secretary of the commonwealth or a designee, who shall serve as chair; the commissioner of conservation and recreation or a designee; the secretary of housing and economic development 6 7 or a designee; 2 members of the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader; 2 members of the senate, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader; 8 9 the superintendent of state buildings or a designee, and 3 persons to be appointed by the 10 governor. The commission shall commence within 2 weeks of the effective date of this act and shall meet at least four times. Within 12 months of passage of this bill, the Commission shall 11 12 present a report on its findings and recommendations.