

HOUSE No. 3387

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul McMurtry

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act to track pawned items.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Paul McMurtry

11th Norfolk

Stephen L. DiNatale

3rd Worcester

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By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3387) of Paul McMurtry and Stephen L. DiNatale for legislation to require licensed pawnbrokers and second hand dealers to photograph and catalogue certain pawned articles. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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An Act to track pawned items.

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 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the
2 following section:-

3 Section 71A. Articles deposited in pawn with a licensed pawnbroker or second hand
4 dealer that exceed market value shall be photographed and cataloged with a brief description of
5 the item including any identifying characteristics. The office of the attorney general shall collect
6 and maintain such information in an electronic database which shall be made available to law
7 enforcement agencies for the purpose of identifying and recovering stolen property. The office
8 of the attorney general shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement this section.