

HOUSE No. 656

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert M. Koczera

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 bill:

An Act Relative to Filling a Temporary Vacancy in the United State Senate.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Robert M. Koczera

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

11th Bristol

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO FILLING A TEMPORARY VACANCY IN THE UNITED STATE SENATE.

*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

2 Section 140 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in 2006 Official Edition, is hereby
3 amended by inserting, after subsection (e), the following new subsection:

4 (f) The Governor shall appoint an interim Senator to a senate vacancy after the deadline for
5 qualifying as a candidate in the special senate election has passed, provided the appointee is not a
6 candidate in said special senate election. The appointed senator shall serve until a successor is duly
7 elected.