

HOUSE No. 669

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Quinn

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 requiring certain mayoral candidates to file as a depository with the Office of Campaign and Political Finance.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John F. Quinn	9th Bristol
Stephen R. Canessa	12th Bristol
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN MAYORAL CANDIDATES TO FILE AS A DEPOSITORY WITH THE OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN AND POLITICAL FINANCE.

*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 55 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by striking out subsection (a) of
2 Section 19 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-
3 Section 19. (a) Candidates for nomination or election to the offices of governor, lieutenant governors, secretary of
4 state, attorney general, state treasurer and receiver general, auditor, governor's council, district attorney, clerk of
5 court, register of probate, registrar of deeds, county commissioner, county treasure, sheriff, or other citywide office,
6 except for the office of school committee, in a city with a total population of one hundred thousand or more persons,
7 and mayor in a city with a total population of fifty-thousand or more persons, as determined by the most recent
8 decennial federal census, and the treasurer of the nonelected political committee authorized by any of the aforesaid
9 candidates shall forthwith, upon the organization of said political committee, or upon becoming a candidate in
10 accordance with the provision of clauses (1) and (2) of the definition of candidate in section one, designate a
11 financial institution as a depository for the campaign funds of such candidate or political committee. The financial
12 institution so designated shall be a national bank, federal savings bank, federal savings and loan association or
13 federal credit union, if such bank, association or credit union is authorized to transact business and has its main
14 office or a branch office in the commonwealth; or a trust company, credit union, co-operative bank or savings bank,
15 if such company, credit union or bank is organized and exists under the laws of the commonwealth or any other state
16 of the United States or is otherwise authorized to transact business in the commonwealth and has its main office or a
17 branch office in the commonwealth. Each such candidate, and the treasurer of each such political committee shall
18 file with the director, no later than the third business day following the designation of such depository, a certificate
19 of appointment containing the name of the financial institution so designated, and the name of the candidate or
20 political committee, and shall authorize the financial institution so designated to submit the reports required by
21 subsection (e).