

**SENATE . . . . . No. 01226**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Richard J. Ross***

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*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 remove pepper spray from firearms identification.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol, and Middlesex</i>
<i>George Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Robert L. Hedlund</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Daniel Winslow</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Ross, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1226) of Ross, Winslow, Tarr and other members of the General Court for legislation to remove pepper spray from firearms identification [Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ SENATE  
□ , NO. 929 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to remove pepper spray from firearms identification.

*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. Subsection 6 of section 129B of chapter 140 of the General Laws, is  
2 hereby amended by striking out, after the words "otherwise prohibited by law."- "A firearm  
3 identification card shall be valid for the purpose of purchasing and possessing chemical mace,  
4 pepper spray or other similarly propelled liquid, gas or powder designed to temporarily  
5 incapacitate."

6           SECTION 2. Subsection 7 of section 129B of chapter 140, is hereby amended by  
7 striking out, after the words "shall be marked 'Firearm Identification Card'", the following:- "If a  
8 firearm identification card is issued for the sole purpose of purchasing or possessing chemical

9 mace, pepper spray or other similarly propelled liquid, gas or powder designed to temporarily  
10 incapacitate, such card shall clearly state that such card is valid for such limited purpose only."

11 SECTION 3. Subsection 9B of section 129B of chapter 140, is hereby amended by  
12 striking out the subsection in its entirety.

13 SECTION 4. Subsection C of section 131 of chapter 131, is hereby amended by  
14 striking out, after the words "capacity rifles and shotguns":- ", and for purchasing and possessing  
15 chemical mace, pepper spray or other similarly propelled liquid, gas or powder designed to  
16 temporarily incapacitate,".