

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1711**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Richard J. Ross***

*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 relative to transparency in government with regard to consultant expenses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Robert L. Hedlund</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Viriato M. deMacedo</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>

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By Mr. Ross, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1711) of Richard J. Ross, Carolyn C. Dykema, James B. Eldridge, Angelo M. Scaccia and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to transparency in government with regard to consultant expenses. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act relative to transparency in government with regard to consultant expenses.

*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. Section 14C of chapter 7, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting at the end thereof the following section:-

3 (i) The secretary shall list the salaries of all experts, technical consultants and other  
4 assistants in executive offices, as defined in section 7 of chapter 6a, in the category “Employee  
5 Payroll”. The salary shall be listed under the expert, technical consultant or other assistant’s  
6 name, and not under the vendor’s name.

7 Section 2. Section 7 of chapter 6A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting at the  
8 end thereof the following section:-

9 The salaries of experts, technical consultants and other assistants shall not be paid out of  
10 the executive office’s operating budget. All expenses must be funded by a separate line-item, as  
11 defined in section 1 of chapter 29.