

SENATE No. 01715

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 tourism collaboration .

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Bruce E. Tarr

First Essex and Middlesex

Ann-Margaret Ferrante

5th Essex

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By Mr. Tarr, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1715) of Ferrante and Tarr for legislation relative to tourism collaboration [Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development].

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to tourism collaboration .

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the
2 Massachusetts Convention Center Authority shall develop and promulgate regulations to permit
3 the placement, maintenance and operation of kiosks for promotion of tourism to regions of the
4 Commonwealth in the Massachusetts Convention Center and the Hynes Convention Center.
5 Said regulations shall limit the number of such kiosks to no more than one per county of the
6 Commonwealth, and shall contain provisions including but not limited to the following:

7 1) A process by which applications for kiosk space are received from regional tourism
8 and hospitality organizations and analyzed, approved or rejected;

9 2) Any relevant dimensional requirements and/or limitations on the dimensions of kiosks
10 permitted pursuant to this section;

11 3) Any necessary maintenance requirements for such kiosks;

12 4) Any necessary regulations governing the appearance of such kiosks;

13 5) A prohibition on the authority or the Commonwealth bearing any cost for the
14 placement, maintenance, or operation of such kiosks;

15 6) Any relevant requirements for the staffing of such kiosks so as to comport with the
16 operational standards of the facilities in which they are placed, provided that nothing herein shall
17 be construed to require that individuals staffing such kiosks be compensated or be subject to a
18 collective bargaining agreement.