HOUSE . . . . No. 3272

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

George N. Peterson, Jr.

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 the term of firearm licenses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol
Matthew A. Beaton	11th Worcester
Nicholas A. Boldyga	3rd Hampden
Thomas J. Calter	12th Plymouth
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Angelo L. D'Emilia	8th Plymouth
Geoff Diehl	7th Plymouth
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Kevin J. Kuros	8th Worcester
Marc T. Lombardo	22nd Middlesex
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester
Richard T. Moore	Worcester and Norfolk

Keiko M. Orrall	12th Bristol
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden
Michael J. Rodrigues	First Bristol and Plymouth
Dennis A. Rosa	4th Worcester
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
David T. Vieira	3rd Barnstable
Daniel B. Winslow	9th Norfolk
Donald H. Wong	9th Essex
Bradford Hill	4th Essex
Stephen L. DiNatale	3rd Worcester

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By Mr. Peterson of Grafton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3272) of George N. Peterson, Jr. and others relative to the terms of firearm licenses and exempting certain persons from paying firearms license renewal fees. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen
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An Act relative to the term of firearm licenses.

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 129B of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2   Official Edition, shall be amended by striking paragraph (9) in lines 170 to 186 and replacing it
3   with the following:-

4   (9) A firearm identification card shall be valid unless revoked or suspended.

5   SECTION 2. Section 131 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
6   Official Edition, shall be amended by striking in paragraph (i) in lines 231 to 245 the words "A
7   license to carry or possess firearms shall be valid, unless revoked or suspended, for a period of
8   not more than 6 years from the date of issue and shall expire on the anniversary of the licensee's
9   date of birth occurring not less than 5 years but not more than 6 years from the date of issue,
10   except that if the licensee applied for renewal before the license expired, the license shall remain
11   valid for a period of 90 days beyond the stated expiration date on the license, unless the
12   application for renewal is denied if the licensee is on active duty with the armed forces of the
13   United States on the expiration date of his license, the license shall remain valid until the
14   licensee is released from active duty and for a period of not less than 90 days following such
15   release. Any renewal thereof shall expire on the anniversary of the licensee's date of birth
16   occurring not less than 5 years but not more than 6 years from the effective date of such license.
17   Any license issued to an applicant born on February 29 shall expire on March 1." and replacing it
18   with the following:-

19   license to carry or possess firearms shall be valid unless revoked or suspended.

20   SECTION 3. Section 131 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010

21 Official Edition, shall be further amended by striking in paragraph (i) in lines 271 to 274 the

22 following:-

23   Any person over the age of 70 and any law enforcement officer applying for a license to

24 carry firearms through his employing agency shall be exempt from the requirement of paying a

25 renewal fee for a Class A or Class B license to carry.