

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1384**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Brian M. Ashe***

*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 service of civil process fees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Nicholas Cocchi</i>	<i>Hampden County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Patrick McDermott</i>	<i>Norfolk County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Robert Ogden</i>	<i>Dukes County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Steven Tompkins</i>	<i>Suffolk County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Kevin Coppinger</i>	<i>Essex County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Paul Heroux</i>	<i>Bristol County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Donna Buckley</i>	<i>Barnstable County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Thomas Bowler</i>	<i>Berkshire County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Lewis Evangelidis</i>	<i>Worcester County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Christopher Donelan</i>	<i>Franklin County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Patrick Cahillane</i>	<i>Hampshire County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Joseph McDonald</i>	<i>Plymouth County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff James Perleman</i>	<i>Nantucket County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Sheriff Peter Koutoujian</i>	<i>Middlesex County</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2023</i>
<i>Aaron L. Saunders</i>	<i>7th Hampden</i>	<i>2/8/2023</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>3/8/2023</i>

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By Representative Ashe of Longmeadow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1384) of Brian M. Ashe and others relative to service of civil process fees. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1453 OF 2021-2022.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to service of civil process fees.

*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 262 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended, in Section 8, subsection (a) by striking out sub, subsections (1) and (2) and  
3 inserting in place thereof the following sections:-

4 (1) for service of an original summons, trustee process, subpoena or scire facias, either by  
5 reading it or by leaving a copy thereof, \$30 for each defendant upon whom service is made,  
6 except as otherwise provided herein;

7 (2) for service of an original summons and complaint for divorce or for any other service  
8 required to be served in hand, \$45 for each defendant upon whom service is made;