

HOUSE No. 178

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul McMurtry

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 clarifying spa regulations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Paul McMurtry

11th Norfolk

Jose F. Tosado

9th Hampden

HOUSE No. 178

By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 178) of Paul McMurtry and Jose F. Tosado for legislation to exempt certain pools from certain licensing requirements. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 229 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act clarifying spa regulations.

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 206 of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after the fourth paragraph the following
3 paragraph:-

4 Every public and semipublic outdoor inground swimming pool installed prior to January
5 1, 1998 shall be exempt from any regulation requiring a continuous walkway around the pool
6 with a minimum width of four feet of unobstructed clear distance including a curb at the pool
7 edge if such a curb is used; provided further that such pools shall be exempt from any regulation
8 requiring continuous recirculation of the entire water supply so as to produce bubbles and shall
9 be considered in compliance with this section so long as an appropriate amount of water has been
10 filtered or circulated so as to maintain the clarity and cleanliness of the water.