

HOUSE No. 1951

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John J. Lawn, 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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the sale of tobacco to minors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>

<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Rady Mom</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel R. Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Jon Santiago</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Linda Dean Campbell</i>	<i>15th Essex</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>

HOUSE No. 1951

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1951) of John J. Lawn, Jr. and others relative to the sale of tobacco to minors. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to the sale of tobacco to minors.

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 270 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended in Section 6 by striking out subsections 6 (d) and (e) and inserting in place
3 thereof the following three subsections:-

4 “(d) Each person selling or distributing tobacco products shall verify the age of the
5 purchaser by means of government-issued photographic identification containing the bearer’s
6 date of birth that the purchaser is 21 years old or older. Verification is required for any person,
7 regardless of age.”

8 “(e) A person who violates this section shall be punished by a fine of \$1,000 for the first
9 offense, \$2,000 for a second offense and \$5,000 for a third or subsequent offense.”

10 “(f) The department of public health may promulgate regulations to implement this
11 section.”