HOUSE . No. 2089

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter J. Koutoujian

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 to prevent prescription fraud.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| Peter J. Koutoujian | 10th Middlesex |
| James R. Miceli | 19th Middlesex |
| John W. Scibak | 2nd Hampshire |
| Lori Ehrlich | 8th Essex |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2173 OF 2007-2008.]

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| In the | Year | Two | Thousand | and | Nine |
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AN ACT TO PREVENT PRESCRIPTION FRAUD.

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 2 of Chapter 111 is hereby amended by adding the following after the
- words "specific rules and regulations that are not in conflict with the rules and regulations
- authorized by this section":---
- 4 The commissioner shall develop a tamper-proof prescription pad or electronic system to be
- 5 utilized by individuals licensed in accordance with Section 9 of Chapter 94C of the
- 6 Massachusetts general laws.
- 7 The commissioner shall make a report of its plan to carry out the provisions of this section to the
- 8 senate president, the speaker of the house, the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on
- 9 public health and the joint committee on health care financing, the senate clerk and the house
- 10 clerk not longer than six months after the passage of this act.