

HOUSE No. 2300

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Rob Consalvo

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 fire safety of state-owned buildings, structures and property.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Rob Consalvo</i> | <i>14th Suffolk</i> | <i>1/19/2023</i> |
| <i>Vanna Howard</i> | <i>17th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/8/2023</i> |

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By Representative Consalvo of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2300) of Rob Consalvo and Vanna Howard relative to fire safety of state-owned buildings, structures and property. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2428 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to fire safety of state-owned buildings, structures and property.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to promote the safety of the public, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety.

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 148 is hereby amended by inserting after section 4 the following
2 new section:

3 Section 4A. Applicability of the fire laws and fire code in state-owned buildings:-

4 “The provisions of the state fire code under said chapter 148 of the General Laws, and the
5 rules and regulations promulgated therefrom by the board of fire prevention regulations, shall
6 apply to all buildings, structures and property owned, operated or controlled by the
7 Commonwealth, other than the State House. The Head of the Fire Department, as defined in

8 section 1 of chapter 148, shall enforce the provisions of this chapter and section with respect to
9 all buildings, structures and property owned, operated or controlled by the Commonwealth
10 located within such city, town or district.”

11 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.