

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2721**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Steven S. Howitt***

*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 corporate filing requirements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Steven S. Howitt*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*4th Bristol*

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By Mr. Howitt of Seekonk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2721) of Steven S. Howitt relative to corporate filing requirements. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1671 OF 2017-2018.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to corporate filing requirements.

*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 3B of chapter 7 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “function” in line 14, the  
3 following words:-

4 provided, that no additional surcharge shall be assessed due to payment method where  
5 such method, whether by check, credit card, electronic means or other instrument, is approved  
6 for use;

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8 SECTION 2. Section 63 of chapter 109 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
9 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out clause (b) and inserting in place thereof the  
10 following clause:-

11 (b) The fee for filing the annual report shall be \$450, or such amount as the secretary  
12 shall designate; provided, however, that no additional surcharge shall be assessed due to payment  
13 method where such method, whether by check, credit card, electronic means or other instrument,  
14 is approved for use.

15 SECTION 3. Section 16.22 of chapter 156D of the General Laws, as appearing in the  
16 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:- (d) When filing said  
17 annual report, no additional surcharge shall be assessed due to payment method where such  
18 method, whether by check, credit card, electronic means or other instrument, is approved for use.