

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2989**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*John V. Fernandes*

*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 lawful presence.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*John V. Fernandes*

*Ryan C. Fattman*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*10th Worcester*

*Worcester and Norfolk*

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By Mr. Fernandes of Milford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2989) of John V. Fernandes and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to require proof of legal residence on applications for the registration of motor vehicles and trailers. Transportation.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3049 OF 2013-2014.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to lawful presence.

*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 90 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
2 amended by striking, in the first paragraph, the words “proof of legal residence” and inserting in  
3 place thereof the following:- “proof of lawful presence”; and

4 by inserting at the end of said paragraph, the following:-

5 “; provided, that proof of lawful presence shall be established only upon the presentment  
6 of a valid driver’s license or identification card issued in compliance with the REAL ID Act of  
7 2005 (Pub. L. 109-13, 119 Stat. 302). For the purposes of this section, the presentment of a  
8 utility bill, library card, or other documents which may serve to prove residence shall not be  
9 sufficient in establishing an applicant’s lawful presence.”