HOUSE

. . No. 03140

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John J. Binienda

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 relative to the theft of motor vehicle fuel

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John J. Binienda	17th Worcester
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester

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By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3140) of Fresolo and Binienda relative to fines and penalties for the theft of motor vehicle fuel Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE

□ HOUSE , NO. *1284* OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to the theft of motor vehicle fuel

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 266 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new section:
- 3 Section 148. Whoever steals motor fuel as defined in Section 295 A of Chapter 94 of the General
- 4 Laws shall, for a first offense, be punished by a fine of not less than one-hundred dollars and by
- 5 reason thereof shall be reported forthwith by the court or magistrate to the registrar of motor
- 6 vehicles who shall revoke immediately the license to operate motor vehicles or the right to
- 7 operate motor vehicles of the person so convicted or adjudged, and no appeal, motion for new

- 8 trial or exceptions shall operate to stay the revocation of such license or right to operate for at
- 9 least one month.
- 10 For a second offense, the defendant shall pay a fine of at least two hundred dollars and shall by
- 11 reason thereof shall be reported forthwith by the court or magistrate to the registrar of motor
- 12 vehicles who shall revoke immediately the license to operate motor vehicles or the right to
- 13 operate motor vehicles of the person so convicted or adjudged, and no appeal, motion for new
- 4 trial or exceptions shall operate to stay the revocation of such license or right to operate for at
- 15 least two months.