SENATE . . . . No. 155

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael F. Rush

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 mobile wireless contracts and agreements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Michael F. Rush	*Norfolk and Suffolk*	
Paul McMurtry	*11th Norfolk*	*2/7/2017*

SENATE . . . . No. 155

By Mr. Rush, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 155) of Michael F. Rush and Paul McMurtry for legislation relative to mobile wireless contracts and agreements. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *188* OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

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An Act relative to mobile wireless contracts and agreements.

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 93 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition,

2   is hereby amended by adding the following new section:-

3   Section 115. A contract agreement between a consumer and a mobile wireless carrier

4   shall not be binding upon or enforceable against any consumer who after purchasing a device

5   and the contract or agreement associated with it at any point during the contract loses wireless

6   service or falls under "dead zones" so called, for a period lasting thirty days or more at the

7   consumers' primary residence or primary place of business or employment. Consumers who fall

8   under this section may cancel a contract or agreement with a mobile wireless carrier without any

9   penalty or further obligation. Consumers shall provide a reasonable proof of primary residency

10   or place of business or employment to the mobile wireless carrier pursuant to this section.