

SENATE No. 1758

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard J. Ross

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 transparency in government with regard to consultant expenses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/14/2017</i>

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By Mr. Ross, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1758) of Richard J. Ross and Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to transparency in government with regard to consultant expenses. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act relative to transparency in government with regard to consultant expenses.

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. Subsection (b) of section 14C of chapter 7 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out paragraphs (6) and (7)
3 and inserting in place thereof the following new paragraphs:-

4 (6) the reports required by subsection (j) of section 6 of chapter 7C;

5 (7) the names and salaries of all experts, technical consultants and other assistants, as
6 defined in section 7 of chapter 6A, employed by executive offices; and

7 (8) any other relevant information specified by the secretary.

8 SECTION 2. Section 7 of chapter 6A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
9 amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:-

10 “The salaries of experts, technical consultants and other assistants shall not be paid out of
11 the executive office’s operating budget. All expenses must be funded by a separate line-item, as
12 defined in section 1 of chapter 29.”