

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard T. Moore

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 to Provide for Efficient Use of Leased or Rented Property and Prevent Waste in Use of Leased or Rented Facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

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DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Worcester and Norfolk

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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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:

1 SECTION 1. Section 43H of Chapter 7 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof, the following: -

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4 ; and provided further, that no such lease or tenancy at will or other rental agreement shall have been
5 approved, that is not accompanied by a justification of the need for such property by the Commonwealth
6 and that does not include a clause allowing the Commonwealth to terminate the lease in a reasonable
7 manner and time when, in the opinion of the said the executive or administrative head of such state
8 department, court, commission or board or the state superintendent of state office buildings, the continued
9 need for such property is no longer apparent or justified.

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11 SECTION 2. Said Section 43H of Chapter 7 of the general laws, is hereby further amended, by adding
12 the following new paragraphs: -

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14 The director of facilities management is hereby authorized and directed to review all current leases,
15 tenancies at will or other rental agreements to ensure that any renewal or extension thereof shall include a
16 clause allowing the commonwealth to terminate the lease, tenancy at will or rental agreement in a
17 reasonable manner and time when, in the opinion of the executive or administrative head of the state

- 18 department, court, commission or board or the superintendent of state office building, the continued need
- 19 for such leased, occupied or rented property is no longer apparent or justified.