

HOUSE No. 2092

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David Paul Linsky

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 universal background checks for private gun sales.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>David Paul Linsky</i> | <i>5th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i> | <i>7th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Ruth B. Balsler</i> | <i>12th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Christine P. Barber</i> | <i>34th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Michael J. Barrett</i> | <i>Third Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i> | <i>15th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Julian Cyr</i> | <i>Cape and Islands</i> |
| <i>Michael S. Day</i> | <i>31st Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Marjorie C. Decker</i> | <i>25th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Mindy Domb</i> | <i>3rd Hampshire</i> |
| <i>William J. Driscoll, Jr.</i> | <i>7th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i> | <i>8th Essex</i> |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> |
| <i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i> | <i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i> |
| <i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i> | <i>5th Essex</i> |
| <i>Sean Garballey</i> | <i>23rd Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Denise C. Garlick</i> | <i>13th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i> | <i>13th Middlesex</i> |

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| <i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i> | <i>21st Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i> | <i>4th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Jonathan Hecht</i> | <i>29th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i> | <i>20th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Mary S. Keefe</i> | <i>15th Worcester</i> |
| <i>James M. Kelcourse</i> | <i>1st Essex</i> |
| <i>Kay Khan</i> | <i>11th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Adrian C. Madaro</i> | <i>1st Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i> | <i>11th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Paul McMurtry</i> | <i>11th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Liz Miranda</i> | <i>5th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Michael J. Moran</i> | <i>18th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i> | <i>14th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i> | <i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Maria Duaine Robinson</i> | <i>6th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>David M. Rogers</i> | <i>24th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Daniel J. Ryan</i> | <i>2nd Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Jon Santiago</i> | <i>9th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Andres X. Vargas</i> | <i>3rd Essex</i> |
| <i>Aaron Vega</i> | <i>5th Hampden</i> |
| <i>Tommy Vitolo</i> | <i>15th Norfolk</i> |

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By Mr. Linsky of Natick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2092) of David Paul Linsky and others relative to universal background checks for private gun sales. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to universal background checks for private gun sales.

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 128A of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
2 adding the following:- Any sale or transfer conducted under this section shall comply with
3 section 131E and shall take place at the location of a dealer licensed under section 122, who shall
4 transmit the information required by this section for the purchases and sales by utilizing the
5 Massachusetts Gun Transaction Portal established by the Massachusetts Department of Criminal
6 Justice Information Services. A licensed dealer may charge the seller a fee not to exceed \$25 for
7 each sale or transfer electronically submitted on behalf of the seller to the Massachusetts Gun
8 Transaction Portal. Whoever knowingly sells or transfers a firearm in violation of this section
9 shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 20
10 years in state prison or two and one-half years in the house of correction.