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HOUSE . . . . . No. 522

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cleon H. Turner

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:

An Act relative to civil citation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Cleon H. Turner	*1st Barnstable*

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HOUSE . . . . . No. 522

By Mr. Turner of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 522) of Cleon H. Turner regulating the payment of fines levied for civil infractions. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *4010* OF 2009-2010.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

An Act relative to civil citation.

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 269 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

Section 20. Fines levied for civil violations shall be paid within 30 days of receipt of a civil citation. Any person who is cited 3 times in the same calendar year for the same civil violation and fails to pay the civil fine within 30 days of receipt of the third civil citation shall have committed a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not more than $1000 or sentenced to no more than 6 months in a house of correction or both. Civil violations consisting of parking tickets or dog violations shall be inapplicable to this section. SECTION 1. Chapter 269 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

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