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SENATE . . . . . No. 1225

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act creating a commission to study the effectiveness of a drug dealer registry in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Richard J. Ross	*Norfolk, Bristol, and Middlesex*
James J. Dwyer	*30th Middlesex*
Robert L. Hedlund	☐ *[District]* ☐
Bruce E. Tarr	☐ *[District]* ☐

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By Mr. Ross, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1225) of Tarr, Hedlund, Dwyer and other members of the General Court for legislation to create a commission to study the effectiveness of a drug dealer registry in the Commonwealth [Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
SENATE
, NO. *928* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act creating a commission to study the effectiveness of a drug dealer registry in the Commonwealth.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a commission shall be established to study the effectiveness of a statewide registry of known drug dealers. The goal of the commission shall be to review current policies and methods of tracking convicted drug dealers, the role of drug dealers in other crimes, and to examine the potential impacts to public safety of a statewide registry. The commission shall make a full report to the legislature with recommendations for legislation to create a registry of drug dealers or improve the tracking of known drug dealers. The commission shall consist of The Secretary of Public Safety and Security, or his designee; the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, or his designee; the Superintendent of the State Police, or his designee; 3 members of the House of Representatives that are chosen by the Speaker, 1 of which is a member of the minority party; 3 members of the Senate, chosen by the Senate President, 1 of which is a member of the minority party; and 1 member chosen by the governor. Said commission shall submit said report back to the legislature with findings and recommendations for legislation on or before December 31, 2012.