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SENATE . . . . . No. 315

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 relative to campaign finance during special elections.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Richard J. Ross	*Norfolk, Bristol, and Middlesex*
George T. Ross	*2nd Bristol*
Michael R. Knapik	☐ *[District]* ☐
Bruce E. Tarr	☐ *[District]* ☐
Daniel B. Winslow	*9th Norfolk*

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By Mr. Ross, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 315) of Richard J. Ross, George T. Ross, Michael R. Knapik, Bruce E. Tarr and others for legislation relative to campaign finance during special elections. Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
SENATE
, NO. *333* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act relative to campaign finance during special elections.

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. Section 1 of chapter 55, as appearing in the General Laws, is hereby amended by inserting the following new definition after the first definition:- “Calendar Year”, a calendar year shall mean any year beginning on January 1st and ending December 31st. There shall be a special election exemption for campaign contributions if a special election and a general election occur within the same calendar year. Contributions may not exceed the defined limits set forth in this chapter, for each election cycle during said calendar year.