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SENATE . . . . . No. 323

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 reporting..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bruce E. Tarr	☐ *[District]* ☐
Michael R. Knapik	☐ *[District]* ☐
Robert L. Hedlund	☐ *[District]* ☐

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 323) of Bruce E. Tarr, Michael R. Knapik and Robert L. Hedlund for legislation relative to campaign reporting. Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
SENATE
, NO. *362* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act relative to campaign reporting..

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 18 of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition is hereby amended by deleting the first paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

Section 18. Each candidate and each treasurer of a political committee shall, if the candidate is seeking the office of mayor in a municipality with a total population, as determined by the most recent federal decennial census of more than 40,000 persons, or if the candidate or the candidate's committee, during the election cycle, can reasonably expect to raise or spend more than $5,000, or if the committee is required to file such reports with the director pursuant to section 19, file with the director or, if the candidate seeks public office at a city or town election, or if the committee is organized for the purpose of a city or town election, with the city or town clerk, reports of contributions received and expenditures made on forms to be prescribed by the director. A candidate for nomination or election to the office of mayor in a city and any non-elected political committee organized on behalf of such candidate, who files such reports in accordance with clause (b), shall file a copy of any such report with the director. A committee organized under the provisions of section five to favor or oppose a question submitted to the voters shall file its reports with the director if the question appears on ballots at a state election, or with the city or town clerk if the question appears on ballots at a city or town election or for use in a city or town at a state election.