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PRESENTED BY:

***William N. Brownsberger***

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*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 limiting the retention of fingerprints.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**

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An Act limiting the retention of fingerprints.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

Section 167A of Chapter 6 is hereby amended in subsection (e) by inserting the following after the words “Fair Credit Reporting Acts”:-

“; provided further, that fingerprints originally obtained by a state agency for purposes of a background check required by Chapter 459 of the Acts of 2012, as amended by Chapter 77 of the Acts of 2013, or by Chapter 234 of the Acts of 2014, shall be expunged from all state records after the person has ended his or her employment or service necessitating said background check; and provided further, that applicants subject to a background check required by Chapter 459 of the Acts of 2012, as amended by Chapter 77 of the Acts of 2013, or by Chapter 234, shall be given information explaining for what and by whom their fingerprints will be retained”.