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By Mr. Palumbo of Newbury, petition of Thomas G. Palumbo for legislation to prohibit public officials from appearing in publicly funded advertisements within six months of running for office. Election Laws.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Six.

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AN ACT PROHIBITING PUBLIC OFFICIALS FROM APPEARING IN PUBLICLY FUNDED ADVERTISEMENTS WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF RUNNING FOR OFFICE.

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

1 Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, no public  
2 official shall appear in any advertisement on television, radio,  
3 newspaper or other media which is paid for by public funds within  
4 six months of his name appearing on a ballot for election to any  
5 public office. Nothing in this act shall prohibit any public official  
6 from appearing in any advertisement if said advertisement is paid  
7 for through non-public funds.

