

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2608

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By Mr. Palumbo of Newbury, petition of Thomas G. Palumbo for legislation to further regulate the transfer of food stamps issued by the Department of Public Welfare, Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four.

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AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE TRANSFERABILITY OF FOOD STAMPS.

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

- 1 Chapter 110 of the Acts of 1993 is hereby amended by adding
- 2 at the end thereof the following:
- 3 The department shall seek a waiver from the US government
- 4 from the provisions of title XVI of the federal Social Security Act
- 5 and amendments thereto, which shall disallow the transferability
- 6 of food stamps. The waiver shall require the recipients' name be
- 7 printed on each food stamp and that it may only be redeemed
- 8 by the recipient at a participating food retailer with a valid photo-
- 9 identification card.

