

HOUSE No. 3054

By Mr. Honan of Boston, petition of Kevin G. Honan relative to the safety of fire fighters operating in buildings of truss design. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SAFETY OF FIRE FIGHTERS OPERATING IN BUILDINGS OF TRUSS DESIGN OR WHERE TRUSS FRAMING MEMBERS ARE USED IN ITS CONSTRUCTION.

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

1 SECTION 1. There shall be established a system for
2 identifying buildings of truss design, suitable to warn fire fighters
3 during emergency operations.

1 SECTION 2. There shall be established a commission to
2 formulate such rules and establish methods necessary for
3 compliance to section 1.

1 SECTION 3. Said commission shall further study the
2 problems encountered during fire fighting operations in truss
3 buildings and report their findings to the General Court. This
4 study shall include but not be limited to sprinklering of truss areas,
5 automatic vents in truss roofs, and limiting the use of lightweight
6 wood frame truss members.

