

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1852

By Mr. Sullivan of Fall River, petition of David B. Sullivan and others relative to further regulating the location of exits in sports complexes. Labor and Workforce Development.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

David B. Sullivan  
Bruce E. Tarr  
Christine E. Canavan  
Gloria L. Fox  
Barbara A. L'Italien

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING EXITS IN SPORTS COMPLEXES.

*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 97A of chapter 143 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after  
3 paragraph (a) the following paragraph:—  
4 The board of building regulations and standards shall require the  
5 owner of any building or structure or portion thereof, that includes a  
6 place of business designed or used for occupancy as a nightclub,  
7 sports complex, dance hall, discoteque, bar, or for similar entertain-  
8 ment purposes, to install a luminescence egress route to all  
9 emergency exits and be placed at floor level. Said egress routes  
10 shall be powered by electricity and have a back up battery in case of  
11 a power failure. Said egress route systems shall meet state building  
12 code and fire code standards for heat resistance to be a viable safety  
13 path in extreme fire and smoke events.