

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2328**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul K. Frost***

*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 relative to firearm licensing renewals during a state of emergency.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>

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By Representative Frost of Auburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2328) of Paul K. Frost relative to firearm licensing renewals during a state of emergency. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2463 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to firearm licensing renewals during a state of emergency.

*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. During a pandemic or other state of emergency in which police departments  
2 are not processing applications for gun license renewals, expiring or expired licenses which  
3 occurs or occurred during the state of emergency will be valid until the renewal can be fully  
4 processed or denied by the police department. This provision shall not prevent the Chief of  
5 Police’s authority in taking a firearms license away should circumstances warrant as already  
6 appearing in the MGL.