



Appendix E: Statistics on petitions to the House of Representatives

Petitions presented 1973-2010 House of Representatives and Senate

Year	<i>House</i>			<i>Senate</i>
	Number of petitions	Signatures	Ministerial responses	% Ministerial responses
1973	1677			119
1974	883			477
1975	2043			677
1976	1987			558
1977	1420			470
1978	1340			578
1979	2366			742
1980	1923			701
1981	2900			669
1982	2094			1014
1983	1885			860
1984	2315			870
1985	2955			1093
1986	5528			1262
1987	3622			1291
1988	1289			780
1989	1690			882
1990	564			404
1991	824			779

Year	House				Senate
	Number of petitions	Signatures	Ministerial responses	% Ministerial responses	Number of petitions
1992	843	365155	3	0.4%	607
1993	547	734785	0	0.0%	539
1994	540	360462	0	0.0%	464
1995	431	456923	3	0.7%	589
1996	430	283163	5	1.2%	464
1997	633	322085	1	0.2%	476
1998	336	251466	0	0.0%	218
1999	232	139741	0	0.0%	194
2000	289	1411278	0	0.0%	102
2001	250	168226	0	0.0%	103
2002	319	362599	0	0.0%	99
2003	369	381083	1	0.3%	129
2004	471	214315	0	0.0%	180
2005	235	230190	1	0.4%	86
2006	276	250091	0	0.0%	161
2007	250	118596	1	0.4%	77
2008	109	96769	56	51.4%	53
2009	150	281600	94	62.7%	48
2010	68	110407	53	77.9%	12

Petitions presented 2005-2010
House of Representatives

Year	Number of petitions	Signatures	Ministerial responses	%	Number presented by Members	%	Out of order petitions
2005	235	230190	1	0.4%	7	3.0%	50
2006	276	250091	0	0.0%	11	4.0%	80
2007	250	118596	1	0.4%	8	3.2%	51
2008	109	96769	56	51.4%	20	18.3%	39
2009	150	281600	94	62.7%	51	34.0%	20
2010	68	110407	53	77.9%	12	17.6%	17

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