



# MASSACHUSETTS FISCAL ALLIANCE



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Senator Cynthia Cream  
Chair, Senate Committee on Ethics  
State House, Room 312A  
Boston, MA 02133

Senator Cream:

On behalf of The Massachusetts Fiscal Alliance, I urge you to open an immediate and public investigation into Senator Brian Joyce and the use of his senate office for personal enrichment.

As reported yesterday, the IRS and FBI investigations have subpoenaed records from the Senate and from members in addition to Joyce. As chair of the Senate Committee on Ethics, you have a unique opportunity to show the public that the Senate itself is as concerned as the IRS and the FBI about the abuse of power and unethical conduct of its members.

Our members are concerned about the effect the investigations have on day to day operations in the Senate, and about the possibility that the kind of conduct under investigation is widespread and acceptable within the culture of the Senate. An investigation by your committee seems, under the circumstances, most appropriate.

Sincerely,

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