HOUSE No. 514

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas M. Stanley

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 rent escrow.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	1/18/2011
Paul Adams	17th Essex	2/4/2011
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester	1/24/2011
Robert L. Hedlund		2/3/2011
Steven L. Levy	4th Middlesex	2/1/2011
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable	1/20/2011

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By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 514) of Thomas M. Stanley and others for legislation to require that tenants or occupants deposit with court clerks rents due prior to final disposition of cases. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1744 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to rent escrow.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 8A of chapter 239 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the word "and" in line 30.
- 3 SECTION 2. Said section 8A of said chapter, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
- 4 by inserting, after the word "vacated;", in line 32, the following clause:-
- and (5) the tenant or occupant deposits with the clerk all rent due prior to final
- 6 disposition of the plaintiff's action;