

HOUSE No. 1661

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cleon H. Turner

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 affecting landlord's rights.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Cleon H. Turner</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	
<i>Michael J. Finn</i>	<i>6th Hampden</i>	
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	

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By Mr. Turner of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1661) of Cleon H. Turner and others relative to the representation of a landlord in eviction actions. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act affecting landlord's rights.

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

- 1 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a landlord owning five or fewer housing units,
- 2 whether such landlord is an individual, trust, partnership or corporate entity of any kind,
- 3 involved in an eviction action may represent himself in such action or may be represented in
- 4 such action by the manager of the housing unit subject of the eviction.