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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### PRESENTED BY:

### Todd M. Smola

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 requiring public viewing before auctioning housing units.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden	

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By Mr. Smola of Palmer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 988) of Todd M. Smola for legislation to require public viewing before auctioning housing units. Financial Services.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 327 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act requiring public viewing before auctioning housing units.

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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary,
- 2 no single or multiple family housing unit, or residential condominium, or cooperative unit, shall
- 3 be auctioned unless an advertised public viewing of at least 2 hours has been conducted no later
- 4 than 24 hours before the scheduled auction. The advertisement of such public viewing shall be
- 5 in a publication of general circulation in the city or town where such auction is to occur and shall
- 6 appear no later than 10 days before the scheduled auction.