

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1969**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael J. Rodrigues***

*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 establishing a sick leave bank for Maria A. DeCoste, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Michael J. Rodrigues</i>	<i>First Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>
<i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>	<i>8th Bristol</i>
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>
<i>Carole Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>

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By Mr. Rodrigues, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Rodrigues, Alan Silvia, Paul A. Schmid, III, Patricia A. Haddad and others for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Maria A. DeCoste, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance. Public Service.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Maria A. DeCoste, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance..

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

1           Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to  
2 establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of transitional  
3 assistance, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate  
4 preservation of the public convenience.

5           SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department  
6 of transitional assistance shall establish a sick leave bank for Maria DeCoste, an employee of the  
7 department. Any employee of the department may voluntarily contribute 1 or more sick,  
8 personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by Maria DeCoste. Whenever Maria  
9 DeCoste terminates employment with the department or requests to dissolve the sick leave bank,  
10 any remaining time in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the extended illness leave bank.  
11 Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or disability that  
12 necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the department.