

**SENATE . . . . . No. 897**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*James E. Timilty*

*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 expediting appeals of wage violations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>James E. Timilty</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Timilty, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 897) of James E. Timilty, Josh S. Cutler, James M. Murphy, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation to expedite appeals of wage violations. Labor and Workforce Development.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 967 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act expediting appeals of wage violations.

*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. Subsection (b) (4) of Section 27C of Chapter 149 of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the third sentence  
3 the following: “The division shall render a final written decision within 90 days of the receipt of  
4 the appeal.”

5           SECTION 2. Subsection (b) (4) of Section 27C of Chapter 149 of the General Laws, as  
6 appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby further amended by striking the last sentence  
7 and inserting in place thereof the following: “Any person aggrieved by a decision of the hearing  
8 officer may appeal to the superior court by bringing an action within 20 days after the division  
9 has rendered a final decision.”