

HOUSE No. 1692

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tackey Chan

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 binding arbitration.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Tackey Chan</i> | <i>2nd Norfolk</i> | <i>1/15/2015</i> |

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By Mr. Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1692) of Tackey Chan relative to binding arbitration for public employee collective bargaining proceedings. Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1706 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to binding arbitration.

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. Chapter 150E of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking
2 paragraph 5 in section 9, and inserting the following:—

3 If the impasse continues after the publication of the fact-finding report, either party, or
4 the parties acting jointly, may petition the board to initiate arbitration proceedings, the result of
5 which shall be a final and binding decision. Upon receipt of such petition, the board shall appoint
6 a panel of three arbitrators from a list of qualified persons. In the alternative, the parties may
7 agree upon the arbitrators and then notify the board of such agreement and choice of arbitrators.
8 The panel shall transmit its finding and is final and binding decision to the board and to both
9 parties within thirty days after the date of its appointment.