

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 241**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Harold P. Naughton, Jr.*

*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 protecting consumers of the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>1/9/2015</i>

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By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 241) of Harold P. Naughton, Jr., relative to the sale of used mattresses, box springs, studio couches and futon mattresses. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 263 OF 2013-2014.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to protecting consumers of the Commonwealth.

*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 94 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the  
2 following section:-

3 Section 217 B: Notwithstanding any general or special law or rule or regulation to the  
4 contrary, any mattress, box spring, studio couch or futon mattress which has been previously  
5 used by an individual and is later marketed for wholesale sale, retail or otherwise thereof shall be  
6 clearly and conspicuously marked thereon and advertised by the seller before any sale with a tag  
7 stating the following: “This mattress, box spring, studio couch or futon mattress has been  
8 previously used and is being offered for resale.