

HOUSE No. 4553

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jose F. Tosado

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 to minimize foreclosures and their harm.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jose F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>
<i>Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>

HOUSE No. 4553

By Mr. Tosado of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jose F. Tosado and others relative to foreclosures and vacant properties. Housing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to minimize foreclosures and their harm.

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

- 1 Except where explicitly denied by the General Laws, municipalities shall have authority
- 2 to enact laws for the purpose of ensuring the safety and security of residents by minimizing
- 3 foreclosures and ensuring the upkeep of vacant properties and those in foreclosure.