

HOUSE No. 816

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 providing consumer protection in the licensing of appraisers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Tackey Chan

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

2nd Norfolk

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By Mr. Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 816) of Tackey Chan relative to the Division of Insurance Auto Damage Appraiser Licensing Board. Financial Services.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to providing consumer protection in the licensing of appraisers.

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. Section 8G of chapter 26 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the first paragraph in its entirety and inserting the
3 following new paragraph in place thereof:-

4 “There shall be in the division of insurance an auto damage appraiser licensing board,
5 hereinafter called the board, consisting of seven persons. The governor shall appoint two
6 members who shall be affiliated with the auto body repair industry and two members who shall
7 be affiliated with insurance companies writing casualty insurance within the commonwealth.
8 The attorney general shall appoint one representative of her office and shall appoint one
9 additional person, unaffiliated with her office, an auto body shop or an insurance company, to
10 represent consumers. The commissioner of insurance shall appoint one person who shall not be
11 affiliated with either the auto body industry or the insurance industry and who shall be the
12 chairman of the board. No member shall serve for more than 2 consecutive and complete 3-year

13 terms. As the term of the office of a member expires, a successor shall be appointed in like
14 manner for a term of 3 years. A vacancy on the board shall be filled within 60 days from the date
15 of the vacancy.”