

HOUSE No. 897

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert M. Koczera

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 homeowner insurance.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>

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By Mr. Koczera of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 897) of Robert M. Koczera relative to homeowners insurance. Financial Services.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 942 OF 2013-2014.]

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

An Act relative to homeowner insurance.

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 99 of Chapter 175 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended after line 349 by adding the following new text:-

3 Seventeenth. Nothing listed in this section shall prohibit a company from issuing a
4 contract to insure against loss by fire or other perils that excludes coverages for wind based
5 damages.

6 SECTION 2. The Massachusetts Property Insurance Underwriting Association, as
7 established under Chapter 175C of the General Laws, shall be hereby directed to develop and
8 implement a residual market for wind based damages, for applicants who are unable to obtain
9 such coverage in the voluntary market.