

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1022**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Daniel A. Wolf*

*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 authorizing municipal increases in minimum wages.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Daniel A. Wolf</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Jose F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Wolf, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1022) of Daniel A. Wolf, Jason M. Lewis, Jose F. Tosado, Sonia Chang-Diaz and other members of the General Court for legislation to authorize municipal increases in minimum wages. Labor and Workforce Development.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act authorizing municipal increases in minimum wages.

*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 of chapter 151 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following  
2 paragraph:-

3           A city or town by ordinance or by-law may establish a minimum wage greater than the  
4 wage otherwise required by this section and a higher minimum wage for tipped employees than  
5 the wage required by section 7. The minimum wages established under this paragraph shall be  
6 the minimum wages for the purpose of all laws providing for administration and enforcement of  
7 minimum wages, including section 19 and other provisions of this chapter and sections 27C and  
8 150 of chapter 149. The ordinance or by-law may provide that specified municipal officers shall  
9 have concurrent authority with the attorney general under section 27C of chapter 149 to enforce  
10 the ordinance or by-law.