

HOUSE No. 1115

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

José 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>José 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>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</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>Bud Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>

<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Tosado of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1115) of Jose F. Tosado and others relative to using municipal actions to minimize foreclosures and resulting vacancies. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act to minimize foreclosures and their harm.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to protect residents of Massachusetts municipalities impacted by foreclosures, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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 resulting vacancies and ensuring the upkeep of properties from the beginning of
- 4 the foreclosure process through post-foreclosure resale.