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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Tricia Farley-Bouvier***

*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 establishing a sick leave bank for Mary Sorensen, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>	<i>7/7/2017</i>
<i>Adam G. Hinds</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden</i>	<i>7/12/2017</i>

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By Ms. Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier and Adam G. Hinds for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Mary Sorensen, an employee of the Department of Mental Health. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Mary Sorensen, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of mental health, 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           Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of mental  
2 health shall establish a sick leave bank for Mary Sorenson, an employee of the department. Any  
3 employee of the department may voluntarily contribute 1 or more sick, personal or vacation days  
4 to the sick leave bank for use by Mary Sorenson. Whenever Mary Sorenson terminates  
5 employment with the department or requests to dissolve the sick leave bank, any remaining time  
6 in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the extended illness leave bank. Sick leave bank  
7 days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or disability that necessitated the  
8 establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the department.