

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4424**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Thomas P. Walsh and Joan B. Lovely***

*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 George Hodgdon, an employee of the Trial Court.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>

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By Representative Walsh of Peabody and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Thomas P. Walsh and Joan B. Lovely for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for George Hodgdon, an employee of the Trial Court. The Judiciary.

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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 George Hodgdon, an employee of the Trial Court.

*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 Trial Court, 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 trial court shall establish a  
2 sick leave bank for George Hodgdon, an employee of the Essex county superior court  
3 department of the trial court. Any employee of the trial court may voluntarily contribute 1 or  
4 more sick, personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by George Hodgdon. If  
5 George Hodgdon terminates employment with the trial court or requests to dissolve the sick  
6 leave bank, any remaining time in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the trial court paid  
7 leave bank. Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or  
8 disability that necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the trial  
9 court.