

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kevin J. Kuros

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 historical preservation organizations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Kevin J. Kuros	8th Worcester	1/18/2017
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester	

HOUSE DOCKET, NO. 1150 FILED ON: 1/18/2017

By Mr. Kuros of Uxbridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 877) of Kevin J. Kuros and Paul K. Frost relative to the liability of historical preservation organization employees. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 3253 OF 2015-2016.]

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

An Act relative to historical preservation organizations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 231 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 85AA, as
- 2 appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, the following section :-
- 3 Section 85BB. (a) For purposes of this section, the term "historical preservation
- 4 organization" shall mean a nonprofit corporation, trust or association located in the
- 5 commonwealth that is operated primarily for historical preservation purposes and owns or cares
- 6 for real property of historical significance exhibited to the public.
- 7 (b) A historical preservation organization, or any trustee, employee or other agent
- 8 thereof, shall not be liable in any suit for damages suffered by any guest, customer, licensee,
- 9 invitee, employee or other person for any act or omission relative to the control or operation of

- 10 any real property of historical significance being exhibited to the public, unless such act or
- 11 omission constitutes willful, wanton or reckless conduct.