

**SENATE . . . . . No. 178**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Eileen M. Donoghue*

*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 the MassMade Program.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Eileen M. Donoghue</i>	<i>First Middlesex</i>	
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Eric P. Lesser</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Kathleen O'Connor Ives</i>	<i>First Essex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/14/2017</i>

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By Ms. Donoghue, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 178) of Eileen M. Donoghue, Josh S. Cutler, James R. Miceli, Walter F. Timilty and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish the MassMade Program. Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 212 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act establishing the MassMade Program.

*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. Chapter 23A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 10A the following section:-

3           Section 10A ½. (a) The Massachusetts office of business development shall establish a  
4 MassMade Program which shall identify, connect and support businesses that produce consumer  
5 goods in the commonwealth, identify obstacles to conducting business in the commonwealth,  
6 and act as a resource for consumers seeking consumer goods made in the commonwealth. The  
7 Massachusetts office of business development may consult with and seek input from interested  
8 stakeholders and shall work with entities including MassMade businesses, regional economic  
9 development organizations, small business associations, chambers of commerce, the supplier

10 diversity office, the Massachusetts marketing partnership and the office of consumer affairs and  
11 business regulations in order to collect and provide business and product information related to  
12 MassMade businesses. All MassMade Program information shall be readily accessible and free  
13 to the public.

14 (b) For purposes of this section, the term “MassMade business” shall mean any entity that  
15 (1) produces a consumer good in the commonwealth; (2) is headquartered in the commonwealth  
16 or has a principal place of business in the commonwealth; (3) possesses a certificate of good  
17 standing from the office of consumer affairs and business regulation; and (4) seeks to join the  
18 MassMade Program.

19 (c) The Massachusetts office of business development may expend such funds as may be  
20 appropriate for the MassMade Program and as may be appropriated therefor. The Massachusetts  
21 office of business development may accept federal funds or private gifts and grants to assist in  
22 carrying out this section.

23 (d) The Massachusetts office of business development shall promulgate regulations  
24 necessary for the administration of this section.