

**SENATE . . . . . No. 994**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Viriato M. deMacedo*

*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 unemployment insurance.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Viriato M. deMacedo</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>	
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>

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By Mr. deMacedo, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 994) of Viriato M. deMacedo, Mathew Muratore and Donald F. Humason, Jr. for legislation relative to unemployment insurance. Labor and Workforce Development.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 965 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to unemployment insurance.

*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. Section 24 of chapter 151A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended in subsection (a) by striking out in lines 3 and 4 the words  
3   “Have been paid wages in the base period amounting to at least thirty times the weekly benefit  
4   rate” and inserting in place thereof the following:-

5           "Have been paid wages in at least two quarters of the base period amounting to at least  
6   thirty times the weekly benefit rate"