

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1324**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***José F. Tosado***

*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 to minimize foreclosures and their harm.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Peter Capano</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Russell E. Holmes</i>	<i>6th Suffolk</i>
<i>Liz Miranda</i>	<i>5th Suffolk</i>

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By Mr. Tosado of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1324) of José F. Tosado and others relative to foreclosures and vacant properties. Housing.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4553 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act to minimize foreclosures and their harm.

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

- 1           Except where explicitly denied by the General Laws, municipalities shall have authority
- 2   to enact laws for the purpose of ensuring the safety and security of residents by minimizing
- 3   foreclosures and ensuring the upkeep of vacant properties and those in foreclosure.