

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas M. Stanley

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 ensure minimum fair wages and employment stability for adjunct faculty.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	1/16/2019
James Arciero	2nd Middlesex	1/31/2019
Michael J. Barrett	Third Middlesex	1/29/2019
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex	1/29/2019
Antonio F. D. Cabral	13th Bristol	1/30/2019
Tackey Chan	2nd Norfolk	1/28/2019
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Daniel M. Donahue	16th Worcester	1/29/2019
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	2/1/2019
Tricia Farley-Bouvier	3rd Berkshire	1/25/2019
Carole A. Fiola	6th Bristol	1/28/2019
William C. Galvin	6th Norfolk	1/31/2019
Denise C. Garlick	13th Norfolk	2/1/2019
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	1/28/2019
Thomas A. Golden, Jr.	16th Middlesex	1/30/2019
Kenneth I. Gordon	21st Middlesex	1/29/2019
Tami L. Gouveia	14th Middlesex	2/1/2019
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol	2/1/2019

Stephan Hay	3rd Worcester	1/30/2019
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester	1/30/2019
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex	1/30/2019
Mary S. Keefe	15th Worcester	1/30/2019
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	1/29/2019
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	1/23/2019
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex	2/1/2019
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex	1/24/2019
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk	2/1/2019
Christina A. Minicucci	14th Essex	1/28/2019
Rady Mom	18th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Frank A. Moran	17th Essex	1/24/2019
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex	1/27/2019
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester	1/27/2019
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Maria Duaime Robinson	6th Middlesex	1/29/2019
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex	1/28/2019
Angelo M. Scaccia	14th Suffolk	1/30/2019
Steven Ultrino	33rd Middlesex	1/24/2019
Tommy Vitolo	15th Norfolk	2/1/2019

By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1243) of Thomas M. Stanley and others relative to adjunct faculty wages. Higher Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2236 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act to ensure minimum fair wages and employment stability for adjunct faculty.

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 151 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2014 Edition is hereby amended by

- 2 adding after section 2B the following section:
- 3 SECTION 2C: Adjunct Faculty

(a) Colleges and universities shall pay adjunct faculty an amount per course equal to the
weighted average salary of a full time instructor, multiplied by an instruction factor, divided by
the standard number of courses in a yearly teaching period. The instruction factor shall be the
percentage of time an average full time instructor spends teaching courses, including preparation
and grading. The weighted average salary of a full time instructor shall be calculated as follows:
(1) For a college or university where at least 20 percent of full time faculty, as reported to

10 the US Department of Education's Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, are

classified as instructors, lecturers or no academic rank, the weighted average salary of a full time instructor shall be calculated by adding the total salary outlays of a full time faculty classified as instructors, lecturers, or no academic rank and dividing that sum by the total number of full time faculty classified as instructors, lecturers or no academic rank.

(2) For a college or university where fewer than 20 percent of full time faculty, as reported to the US Department of Education's Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, are classified as instructors, lecturers or no academic rank, the weighted average salary of a full time instructor shall be calculated by adding the total salary outlays of full time faculty classified as assistant professors, instructors, lecturers or no academic rank and dividing that sum by the total number of full time faculty classified as such.

(b) Colleges and universities shall offer a given course to qualified adjunct faculty who
have taught the same course or similar course previously before hiring new faculty to teach the
course.

(c) Colleges and universities shall provide sufficient notice of teaching assignments and
the cancellation of said assignments. For purposes of this subsection, sufficient notice shall be
defined as no less than 90 days prior to the beginning of an academic term

(d) In the event a course assignment is cancelled 45 or more but fewer than 90 days prior
to the beginning of an academic term, colleges and universities shall provide the adjunct faculty
member an alternate course assignment or 25% of the salary for the course. In the event a course
assignment is cancelled fewer than 45 days prior to the beginning of an academic term, colleges
and universities shall provide the adjunct faculty member an alternate course assignment or 50%
of the salary for the course.

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