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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Carole A. Fiola and Michael J. Rodrigues

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 a sick leave bank for Rhonda Brewster, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Carole A. Fiola	6th Bristol	5/4/2022
Michael J. Rodrigues	First Bristol and Plymouth	5/5/2022

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By Representative Fiola of Fall River and Senator Rodrigues, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Carole A. Fiola and Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Rhonda Brewster, an employee of the Department of Mental Health. Public Service.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Rhonda Brewster, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the Department of Mental Health, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Department of Mental

- 2 Health shall establish a sick leave bank for Rhonda Brewster, an employee of the Department of
- 3 Mental Health. Any employee of the Department of Mental Health may voluntarily contribute 1
- 4 or more sick, personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by Rhonda Brewster. If
- 5 Rhonda Brewster terminates employment with the Department of Mental Health or requests to
- 6 dissolve the sick leave bank, any remaining time in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the
- 7 extended illness leave bank. Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the
- 8 illness or disability that necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by
- 9 the Department of Mental Health.