HOUSE No. 1971

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tricia Farley-Bouvier and Brandy Fluker Oakley

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 requiring one fair wage.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Tricia Farley-Bouvier	3rd Berkshire	2/19/2021
Brandy Fluker Oakley	12th Suffolk	2/19/2021
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	2/19/2021
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex	2/22/2021
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	2/22/2021
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	2/23/2021
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex	2/23/2021
Christina A. Minicucci	14th Essex	2/24/2021
Harriette L. Chandler	First Worcester	2/24/2021
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk	2/24/2021
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	2/24/2021
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex	2/25/2021
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex	2/25/2021
Tommy Vitolo	15th Norfolk	2/25/2021
Mary S. Keefe	15th Worcester	2/26/2021
Tami L. Gouveia	14th Middlesex	2/26/2021
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex	2/26/2021
Christine P. Barber	34th Middlesex	2/26/2021

James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol	2/26/2021
Erika Uyterhoeven	27th Middlesex	2/26/2021
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	2/26/2021
Carol A. Doherty	3rd Bristol	2/26/2021
Walter F. Timilty	Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth	3/9/2021
Maria Duaime Robinson	6th Middlesex	3/22/2021
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	3/24/2021
Liz Miranda	5th Suffolk	3/26/2021
Jay D. Livingstone	8th Suffolk	3/29/2021
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester	4/8/2021
Peter Capano	11th Essex	4/16/2021
Nika C. Elugardo	15th Suffolk	5/6/2021
Kevin G. Honan	17th Suffolk	5/10/2021
Adrian C. Madaro	1st Suffolk	5/23/2021
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire	7/6/2021
Vanna Howard	17th Middlesex	7/29/2021
Daniel M. Donahue	16th Worcester	10/21/2021
Steven C. Owens	29th Middlesex	11/9/2021
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	11/10/2021
Carlos González	10th Hampden	11/12/2021
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex	11/12/2021
Andres X. Vargas	3rd Essex	11/29/2021
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden	12/3/2021
Mike Connolly	26th Middlesex	12/7/2021
Rebecca L. Rausch	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex	12/21/2021
Jacob R. Oliveira	7th Hampden	1/6/2022
Russell E. Holmes	6th Suffolk	1/7/2022
Jamie Zahlaway Belsito	4th Essex	1/7/2022
Meghan Kilcoyne	12th Worcester	1/7/2022
Michelle L. Ciccolo	15th Middlesex	1/11/2022
Patricia A. Duffy	5th Hampden	1/12/2022
Marc T. Lombardo	22nd Middlesex	1/19/2022
Danillo A. Sena	37th Middlesex	1/20/2022
Michelle M. DuBois	10th Plymouth	1/24/2022

HOUSE No. 1971

By Representatives Farley-Bouvier of Pittsfield and Fluker Oakley of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1971) of Tricia Farley-Bouvier, Brandy Fluker Oakley and others relative to determining the wage employers are required to pay tipped employees. Labor and Workforce Development.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act requiring one fair wage.

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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 7 of said chapter 151, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is

hereby amended by striking the third paragraph, as amended by Chapter 121 of the Acts of 2018,

and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

In determining the wage an employer is required to pay a tipped employee, the amount paid to such employee by the employer shall be an amount equal to: (1) the cash wage paid such

employee which for purposes of such determination shall be not less than \$6.45; and (2) an

7 additional amount on account of the tips received by such employee which amount is equal to the

difference between the wage specified in clause (1) and the wage in effect under section 1. The

additional amount on account of tips may not exceed the value of the tips actually received by an

employee. This paragraph shall not apply with respect to any tipped employee unless such

employee has been informed by the employer of the provisions of this paragraph, and all tips

received by such employee have been retained by the employee, except that this paragraph shall

not be construed to prohibit the pooling of tips among employees who customarily and regularly receive tips.

SECTION 2. Said section 7 of said chapter 151, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

In determining the wage an employer is required to pay a tipped employee, the amount paid to such employee by the employer shall be an amount equal to: (1) the cash wage paid such employee which for purposes of such determination shall be not less than \$7.95; and (2) an additional amount on account of the tips received by such employee which amount is equal to the difference between the wage specified in clause (1) and the wage in effect under section 1. The additional amount on account of tips may not exceed the value of the tips actually received by an employee. This paragraph shall not apply with respect to any tipped employee unless such employee has been informed by the employer of the provisions of this paragraph, and all tips received by such employee have been retained by the employee, except that this paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit the pooling of tips among employees who customarily and regularly receive tips.

SECTION 3. Said section 7 of said chapter 151, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

In determining the wage an employer is required to pay a tipped employee, the amount paid to such employee by the employer shall be an amount equal to: (1) the cash wage paid such employee which for purposes of such determination shall be not less than \$9.45; and (2) an additional amount on account of the tips received by such employee which amount is equal to the difference between the wage specified in clause (1) and the wage in effect under section 1. The

additional amount on account of tips may not exceed the value of the tips actually received by an employee. This paragraph shall not apply with respect to any tipped employee unless such employee has been informed by the employer of the provisions of this paragraph, and all tips received by such employee have been retained by the employee, except that this paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit the pooling of tips among employees who customarily and regularly receive tips.

SECTION 4. Said section 7 of said chapter 151, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

In determining the wage an employer is required to pay a tipped employee, the amount paid to such employee by the employer shall be an amount equal to: (1) the cash wage paid such employee which for purposes of such determination shall be not less than \$10.95; and (2) an additional amount on account of the tips received by such employee which amount is equal to the difference between the wage specified in clause (1) and the wage in effect under section 1. The additional amount on account of tips may not exceed the value of the tips actually received by an employee. This paragraph shall not apply with respect to any tipped employee unless such employee has been informed by the employer of the provisions of this paragraph, and all tips received by such employee have been retained by the employee, except that this paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit the pooling of tips among employees who customarily and regularly receive tips.

SECTION 5. Said section 7 of said chapter 151, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

In determining the wage an employer is required to pay a tipped employee, the amount paid to such employee by the employer shall be an amount equal to: (1) the cash wage paid such employee which for purposes of such determination shall be not less than \$12.45; and (2) an additional amount on account of the tips received by such employee which amount is equal to the difference additional amount on account of tips may not exceed the value of the tips actually received by an employee. This paragraph shall not apply with respect to any tipped employee unless such employee has been informed by the employer of the provisions of this paragraph, and all tips received by such employee have been retained by the employee, except that this paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit the pooling of tips among employees who customarily and regularly receive tips.

SECTION 6. Said section 7 of said chapter 151, as so appearing, is hereby amended by 128 striking the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

In determining the wage an employer is required to pay a tipped employee, the amount paid to such employee by the employer shall be an amount equal to: (1) the cash wage paid such employee which for purposes of such determination shall be not less than \$13.95; and (2) an additional amount on account of the tips received by such employee which amount is equal to the difference between the wage specified in clause (1) and the wage in effect under section 1. The additional amount on account of tips may not exceed the value of the tips actually received by an employee. This paragraph shall not apply with respect to any tipped employee unless such employee has been informed by the employer of the provisions of this paragraph, and all tips received by such employee have been retained by the employee, except that this paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit the pooling of tips among employees who customarily and regularly receive tips.

79	SECTION 7. Said section 7 of said chapter 151, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
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- Beginning on January 1, 2027, and no later than January 1 of each successive year, in determining the wage an employer is required to pay a tipped employee, the amount paid to such employee by the employer shall be an amount equal to not less than the wage in effect under section 1.
- 85 SECTION 8. Section 152A of Chapter 149, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is 86 hereby amended by adding after the word "bartender" in line 50, the following:-
 - ";provided, however that if an employer is paying all employees a wage that is not less than the full minimum wage the employer may require that wait staff employees, service employees or service bartenders to participate in a tip pool through which such employee remits any wage, tip or service charge, or any portion thereof, for distribution to employees that are not wait staff employees, service employees or service bartenders."
- 92 SECTION 9. Chapter 121 of the Acts of 2018 is hereby amended by striking sections 24-93 26.
- 94 SECTION 10. Chapter 121 of the Acts of 2018 is hereby further amended by striking, in 95 section 33, the figure:- 24.
- 96 SECTION 11. Chapter 121 of the Acts of 2018 is hereby further amended by striking, in 97 section 35, the figure:- 25.
- 98 SECTION 12. Chapter 121 of the Acts of 2018 is hereby further amended by striking, in section 36, the figure:- 26.

100	SECTION 13. Section 1, and 8-11 shall take effect on January 1, 2022.
101	SECTION 14. Section 2 shall take effect on January 1, 2023.
102	SECTION 15. Section 3 shall take effect on January 1, 2024.
103	SECTION 16. Section 4 shall take effect on January 1, 2025.
104	SECTION 17. Section 5 shall take effect on January 1, 2026.
105	SECTION 18. Section 6 shall take effect on January 1, 2027.
106	SECTION 19. Section 7 shall take effect on January 1, 2028.