

HOUSE No. 1858

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Josh S. Cutler

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 PFML hearing decisions.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/10/2023</i>
<i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/27/2023</i>
<i>Shirley B. Arriaga</i>	<i>8th Hampden</i>	<i>2/28/2023</i>

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By Representative Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1858) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to the publication of hearing decisions by the Department of Family and Medical Leave. Labor and Workforce Development.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to PFML hearing decisions.

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. Subsection (d) of section 8 of chapter 175M of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word
3 “defendant”, in line 50, the following sentence:-

4 . The department shall cause to be published all hearing decisions on their website,
5 provided, however, that the department shall refrain from including, or partially redact where
6 inclusion is necessary, any personal data identifiers, including, but not limited to, names, date of
7 birth, names of minor children and any protected medical information