

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2374**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***John J. Mahoney***

*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 board of hoisting machinery regulations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>John J. Mahoney</i>	<i>13th Worcester</i>	<i>1/17/2023</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>	<i>3/22/2023</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>3/22/2023</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>	<i>3/22/2023</i>
<i>James C. Arena-DeRosa</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/22/2023</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>	<i>3/22/2023</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>4/19/2023</i>
<i>Adam Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>4/19/2023</i>
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>	<i>4/19/2023</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>4/19/2023</i>
<i>Jessica Ann Giannino</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>	<i>4/19/2023</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>4/19/2023</i>
<i>Carol A. Doherty</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>4/21/2023</i>
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>12/19/2023</i>
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>	<i>3/26/2024</i>

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By Representative Mahoney of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2374) of John J. Mahoney relative to establishing a board of hoisting machinery regulations. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2495 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act establishing a board of hoisting machinery regulations.

*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. Chapter 146 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section  
2 53A, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following  
3 section:-

4 Section 53A. There shall be in the department a board to be known as the board of  
5 hoisting machinery regulations, which shall consist of six members to be appointed by the  
6 governor, with the advice and consent of the council, for terms of four years each. One such  
7 member shall be the chief inspector in said department, who shall serve as chair and act as a  
8 nonvoting member of said board, except in the case of a tie vote, one shall be a an employee of a  
9 public utility who is actively engaged in hoisting machinery operations in the Commonwealth,  
10 one shall be a member from a private construction contractor who is actively engaged in hoisting

11 machinery operations in the Commonwealth, one shall be a safety trainer who is authorized by  
12 the department to do continuing education classes for hoisting licenses in Massachusetts, one  
13 shall be an expert in the Occupational Safety and Health Administration who is actively involved  
14 in hoisting machinery related operations, and one shall be from the International Union of  
15 Operating engineers Local with jurisdictions in Massachusetts who has been actively engaged in  
16 hoisting machinery related operations in the commonwealth for not less than five years  
17 immediately preceding appointment.

18 Said board shall promulgate rules and regulations, pursuant to chapter 30A, embodying  
19 the classifications of hoisting machinery and establishing criteria and procedures for the  
20 issuance, denial, renewal, suspension and revocation of licenses of apprentice operators of such  
21 machinery. However, a final adjudication that there has been a violation of federal or state  
22 occupational safety and health regulations, or any rule or regulation adopted by the department,  
23 shall be cause for the denial, revocation or suspension of any license issued under this section.  
24 Criteria for issuance of such licenses shall include, but not be limited to, training and experience  
25 requirements appropriate to the categories of machinery for which the license is intended, and  
26 registration with the apprenticeship council within the department of labor standards. A holder of  
27 such apprentice license may operate hoisting machinery only under the guidance and supervision  
28 of a holder of a license to operate for the category of hoisting machinery to be operated by the  
29 apprentice

30 A majority of said board, constituted as above provided, may transact business, but a  
31 lesser number may adjourn from time to time.

32           The board may, subject to appropriation and with the approval of the commissioner,  
33 employ an executive secretary who shall not be subject to the provisions of chapter thirty-one  
34 and may employ such clerical, technical and other assistants as may be required by said board.