

HOUSE No. 3593

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Judith A. Garcia

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 certified translations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Judith A. Garcia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>
<i>Samantha Montaño</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>	<i>3/21/2023</i>

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By Representative Garcia of Chelsea, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3593) of Judith A. Garcia and Samantha Montañó relative to certified translations in court proceedings. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to certified translations.

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 221C of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 Section 8. Any foreign language document offered by a party in a proceeding shall be
3 accompanied by an English language translation and a certification signed by the translator that
4 shall be printed legibly or typed. Such certification shall include a statement that the translator is
5 competent to translate the document, and that the translation is true and accurate translation to
6 the best of the translator's abilities.