

HOUSE No. 1797

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Chynah Tyler

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 authorizing application of good conduct sentence deductions for completion credits earned during pre-trial detention.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Chynah Tyler</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/17/2023</i>
<i>Christopher J. Worrell</i>	<i>5th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/21/2023</i>
<i>Samantha Montaño</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>	<i>4/4/2023</i>
<i>Russell E. Holmes</i>	<i>6th Suffolk</i>	<i>4/4/2023</i>

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By Representative Tyler of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1797) of Chynah Tyler and Christopher J. Worrell relative to the application of good conduct sentence deductions for completion credits earned during pre-trial detention. The Judiciary.

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

An Act authorizing application of good conduct sentence deductions for completion credits earned during pre-trial detention.

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 129D of chapter 127 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after the word “Prisoners” in line 1 “,including persons held in pre-trial detention,”.

3 SECTION 2. Section 129(D) of chapter 127 of the General Laws is further amended by
4 inserting after paragraph (f) the following new paragraph:

5 (g) “Deductions from sentences and completion credits earned by persons held in pre-trial
6 detention will accumulate during the period of detention, but will only be available to the
7 prisoner once they are sentenced. These accumulated good conduct deductions will expire upon
8 the prisoner’s final release from custody related to the charges that led to the detention.

9 Accumulated but un-credited good conduct deductions shall not be available for application
10 against future incarcerations.”