

HOUSE No. 1316

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Amy Mah Sangiolo

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 preventing home insurers from forcing tree removal.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Amy Mah Sangiolo</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>
<i>John R. Gaskey</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>9/7/2025</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>6/26/2025</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>7/10/2025</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>6/24/2025</i>
<i>Greg Schwartz</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>7/1/2025</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/28/2025</i>

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By Representative Sangiolo of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1316) of Amy Mah Sangiolo and Bud L. Williams relative to preventing home insurers from forcing tree removal. Financial Services.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to preventing home insurers from forcing tree removal.

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

2 Section 231. A company shall not require the removal of a tree from the property of a
3 holder of a homeowners insurance policy if a certified arborist has determined the tree is not a
4 hazard to the property.