

HOUSE No. 1579

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Steven George Xiarhos

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 emergency shelter assistance for commonwealth residents.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Steven George Xiarhos</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>1/13/2025</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>2/11/2025</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/11/2025</i>
<i>Kelly W. Pease</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>3/25/2025</i>
<i>Kenneth P. Sweezey</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>3/25/2025</i>

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By Representative Xiarhos of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1579) of Steven George Xiarhos, Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., and Joseph D. McKenna relative to emergency shelter assistance for commonwealth residents. Housing.

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

An Act relative to emergency shelter assistance for commonwealth residents.

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 30 of chapter 23B of the General Laws, as amended by section 120
2 of chapter 7 of the acts of 2023, is hereby further amended by adding the following sentence:-

3 Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule, or regulation to the contrary, the
4 emergency housing assistance program established herein shall be available only to residents of
5 the commonwealth who are citizens of the United States.