

HOUSE No. 185

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 to remove HCA real estate barriers to equitable participation in the cannabis industry.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Chynah Tyler</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>

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By Representative Tyler of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 185) of Chynah Tyler for legislation to remove host community agreement real estate barriers to equitable participation in the cannabis industry. Cannabis Policy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 124 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act to remove HCA real estate barriers to equitable participation in the cannabis industry.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Subsection (a½) of section 4 of chapter 94G, as amended by Chapter 180 of the Acts of
2 2022so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out clauses (xxxi) and inserting in place thereof
3 the following clauses:-

4 (xxxi) establish procedures and policies for municipalities to promote and encourage full
5 participation in the regulated marijuana industry during negotiations of host community
6 agreements with social equity program businesses and economic empowerment priority
7 applicants, including policies and procedures that enable such businesses to obtain host
8 community agreements without requiring a signed lease or real estate letter of intent; and