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HOUSE . . . . . No. 1850

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jay D. Livingstone

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 address arbitration and litigation relief.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Jay D. Livingstone	*8th Suffolk*	*1/15/2025*

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HOUSE . . . . . No. 1850

By Representative Livingstone of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1850) of Jay D. Livingstone for legislation to address arbitration and litigation relief. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to address arbitration and litigation relief.

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

SECTION 1: Section 20 of chapter 223 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following section:

(X) "Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, any person who is at least 18 years old and not a party may serve a summons and complaint for all civil actions pending in District Court, Boston Municipal Court, or Superior Court."

SECTION 2: Section 32 of chapter 260 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after "matter of form," the following: "or a dismissal as a result of an arbitration agreement,"