HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael J. Finn

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 enforce laws protecting worksite safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court (2025-2026)

An Act to enforce laws protecting worksite safety.

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 29 of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022
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2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following new section:

3 "A party to a contract for construction having a duty, whether by law or by contract, to 4 maintain a safe workplace or to comply with applicable safety standards, may not transfer the 5 responsibility to pay for, defend against, or provide insurance covering claims, liabilities, fines, 6 or damages to the extent caused by that party's breach of such duty. Any provision in a contract 7 for construction which purports to transfer any such responsibility shall be void and 8 unenforceable as against public policy."