

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4521**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. and Peter J. Durant***

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*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 establishing a sick leave bank for Kathleen Rodrigue.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>8/4/2025</i>

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By Representative Berthiaume of Spencer and Senator Durant, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kathleen Rodrigue, an employees of the Chief Medical Examiner's office. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Kathleen Rodrigue.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Chief Medical  
2 Examiner's office shall establish a sick leave bank for Kathleen Rodrigue, an employee of the  
3 Department. Any employee of the Department may voluntarily contribute 1 or more sick,  
4 personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by Kathleen Rodrigue. If Kathleen  
5 Rodrigue terminates employment with the Department or requests to dissolve the sick leave  
6 bank, any remaining time in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the extended illness leave  
7 bank. Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or disability  
8 that necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the Department.

9           Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.