

SENATE No. 1348

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robyn K. Kennedy

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:

Robyn K. Kennedy

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Worcester

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By Ms. Kennedy, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1348) of Robyn K. Kennedy for legislation to enforce laws protecting worksite safety. Labor and Workforce Development.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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.