SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Sal N. DiDomenico

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 clarifying the jurisdiction of the housing court department.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Sal N. DiDomenicoMiddlesex and Suffolk

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 2592 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act clarifying the jurisdiction of the housing court department.

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 3 of chapter 185C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 4 to 9, inclusive, the words "arising in the city of Boston in the case of that division, in the counties of Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden and

4 Hampshire in the case of the western division and within the cities and towns included in the

Worcester county division, northeastern division and southeastern division, in the case of those

6 divisions,"

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SECTION 2. Said section 3 of said chapter 185C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 34 to 38, inclusive, the words "in the city of Boston, in the case of that division, Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden and Hampshire counties, in the case of the western division and within the cities and towns included in the Worcester county division,

- northeastern division and southeastern division, in the case of those "and inserting in place
- thereof the following words: within their respective.
- SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.