

HOUSE No. 1907

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 relative to workers' compensation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>Lenny Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>Marcus S. Vaughn</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/27/2023</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2023</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2023</i>

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By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1907) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to the forfeiture of workers' compensation. Labor and Workforce Development.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to workers' compensation.

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 45 of chapter 152 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'forfeited' in line 13 the following
3 sentence: -

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5 "If, as a result of the examination, the registered physician determines that the employee
6 is fit to return to work and the employee refuses to return to work, his right to compensation shall
7 be suspended, and his compensation during the period of suspension may be forfeited."