

HOUSE No. 02875

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Denise Provost

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act establishing uniform wage compliance and recordkeeping.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Gloria L. Fox</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>
<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Joyce A. Spiliotis</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>David B. Sullivan</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>Carlo Basile</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>John P. Fresolo</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Byron Rushing</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>

<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Theodore C. Speliotis</i>	<i>13th Essex</i>
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian A. Joyce</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol, and Plymouth</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Alice K. Wolf</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Provost of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2875) of Wolf and others for legislation to further regulate the method of calculating the period of time for employees in filing certain complaints with the Attorney General under the labor relations laws of the Commonwealth Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act establishing uniform wage compliance and recordkeeping.

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 150 of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “benefits,” in line 27, the following
3 words:-
4 ; provided, however, that the 3-year limitation period shall be tolled from the date that the
5 employee or a similarly situated employee files a complaint with the attorney general alleging a
6 violation of any of these sections until the date that the attorney general issues a letter
7 authorizing a private right of action or the date that an enforcement action by the attorney general
8 becomes final.

9 SECTION 2. Section 15 of chapter 151 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
10 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 6, the word “two” and by inserting after the
11 word “least,” in line 6, the following word:-

12 three.

13 SECTION 3. Section 20A of chapter 151 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
14 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the word “two,” and by inserting after the
15 word “than,” in line 2, the following word:-

16 three.

17 SECTION 4. Said section 20A of said chapter 151, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
18 by inserting after the word “action,” in line 3, the following words:-

19 ; provided, however, that the limitation period shall be tolled from the date that the employee or
20 a similarly situated employee files a complaint with the attorney general alleging a violation of
21 this chapter until the date that the attorney general issues a letter authorizing a private right of
22 action or the date that an enforcement action by the attorney general becomes final.