

HOUSE No. 3253

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kevin J. Kuros

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 historical preservation organizations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Leonard Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter J. Durant</i>	<i>6th Worcester</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>

Aaron Vega

5th Hampden

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By Mr. Kuros of Uxbridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3253) of Kevin J. Kuros and others relative to the liability of historical preservation organization employees. The Judiciary.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act relative to historical preservation organizations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 231 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 85AA, as
2 appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, the following section :-

3 Section 85BB. (a) For purposes of this section, the term “historical preservation
4 organization” shall mean a nonprofit corporation, trust or association located in the
5 commonwealth that is operated primarily for historical preservation purposes and owns or cares
6 for real property of historical significance exhibited to the public.

7 (b) A historical preservation organization, or any trustee, employee or other agent
8 thereof, shall not be liable in any suit for damages suffered by any guest, customer, licensee,
9 invitee, employee or other person for any act or omission relative to the control or operation of
10 any real property of historical significance being exhibited to the public, unless such act or
11 omission constitutes willful, wanton or reckless conduct.