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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jeffrey N. Roy and Nick Collins

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 tort actions for latent diseases.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Jeffrey N. Roy	10th Norfolk
Nick Collins	First Suffolk
Michael J. Soter	8th Worcester
John Barrett, III	1st Berkshire
Hannah Kane	11th Worcester
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Harold P. Naughton, Jr.	12th Worcester
Claire D. Cronin	11th Plymouth
Peter Capano	11th Essex
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden
Tricia Farley-Bouvier	3rd Berkshire
Brian W. Murray	10th Worcester
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk

James K. Hawkins	*2nd Bristol*
Natalie M. Blais	*1st Franklin*
Rebecca L. Rausch	*Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex*

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By Representative Roy of Franklin and Senator Collins, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jeffrey N. Roy, Nick Collins and others relative to tort actions for latent diseases. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

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An Act relative to tort actions for latent diseases.

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 2B of Chapter 260 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018

2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following new paragraph in the section:-

3   Nothing in this section shall apply to any tort actions for damages due to latent diseases

4   caused by exposure to toxic substances including, but not limited to, asbestos.

5   SECTION 2:

6   Section 1 shall be effective for all causes of action accruing before, on, or after the date

7   of its enactment, including any cause of action now pending