HOUSE No. 00084

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Alice K. Wolf

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 to bring child support home.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
William N. Brownsberger	24th Middlesex
Karen E. Spilka	Second Middlesex and Norfolk
Kevin G. Honan	17th Suffolk
Denise Andrews	2nd Franklin
Thomas M. McGee	Third Essex and Middlesex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Joyce A. Spiliotis	12th Essex
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	10th Hampden
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Martha M. Walz	8th Suffolk
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex
Antonio F. D. Cabral	13th Bristol
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire
Ann-Margaret Ferrante	5th Essex

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By Ms. Wolf of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 84) of William N. Brownsberger and others relative to child support paid on behalf of current or former recipients of transitional aid to families with dependent children benefits. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE O HOUSE , NO. 3423 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to bring child support home.

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 2 of chapter 118 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the first paragraph the following:-
- 3 Child support collections shall be paid to a recipient of benefits under this chapter to the extent
- 4 that the federal government will waive or not have a claim to a federal share of such collections
- 5 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 657. Any amounts paid to the family under this provision shall be
- 6 disregarded in determining the amount of assistance provided to the family.
- 7 SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 119A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
- 8 amended by inserting at the end of subsection (b) the following:-

9 Pursuant to Title IV, Part D of the Social Security Act, in the case of former recipients of
10 assistance, the IV-D agency shall pay to the family all support payments collected, including
11 payments on arrears assigned to the state and payments collected through federal tax refund
12 offset.

13 SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2013.