

**SENATE . . . . . No. 38**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Sal N. DiDomenico***

*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 to promote asset building for low income residents.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	
<i>Mayor Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>1 City Hall Square, Boston, MA 02201</i>	
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mr. DiDomenico, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 38) of Sal N. DiDomenico, Mayor Martin J. Walsh, Paul McMurtry, Daniel J. Ryan and other members of the General Court for legislation to promote asset building for low income residents. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act to promote asset building for low income residents.

*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. Notwithstanding any general law or special law or regulation to the  
2 contrary, the department of transitional assistance shall not employ the use of an assets test to  
3 determine an assistance unit’s financial eligibility for cash assistance under transitional aid to  
4 families with dependent children. Financial eligibility for cash assistance shall be based solely on  
5 an income test under 106 CMR 704.210 or other relevant regulation promulgated by the  
6 department.

7           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.