

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1016**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bradley H. Jones, Jr.***

*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 business owners unemployment insurance benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1016) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to unemployment insurance benefits for seasonal businesses. Labor and Workforce Development.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1724 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to business owners unemployment insurance benefits.

*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. Chapter 151A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Edition, is  
2 hereby amended by adding after Section 24 subsection (c) the following new subsection:--

3 (d) No individual shall be considered eligible for benefits if said individual is a business  
4 owner who intentionally and knowingly closed their business, and therefor ended one's own  
5 employment, with the intention of reopening during the ideal business season.