

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1165**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Cleon H. Turner*

*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 protect residential building lots.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Cleon H. Turner*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*1st Barnstable*

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By Mr. Turner of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1165) of Cleon H. Turner relative to residential building lots. Housing.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act to protect residential building lots.

*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 6 of Chapter 40A of the General Laws shall be amended as follows:

2 SECTION 1: By deleting paragraph three and inserting in its place the following:

3 ”Except for lots zoned for single and two family residential family use, a zoning  
4 ordinance or by-law may define and regulate nonconforming uses and structures abandoned or  
5 not used for a period of two years or more. “

6 SECTION 2: By adding at the beginning of the first line of paragraph 4 the following  
7 words:

8 “Notwithstanding the previous existence of any building or structure thereon,”