HOUSE No. 1524

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carmine Lawrence Gentile

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 eliminate the charitable immunity cap.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	1/12/2023
Susannah M. Whipps	2nd Franklin	2/3/2023

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By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1524) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile and Susannah M. Whipps for legislation to eliminate the charitable immunity defense in certain court actions. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1599 OF 2021-2022.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act to eliminate the charitable immunity cap.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- Section 1. Section 85K of Chapter 231 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
- 2 official edition is hereby amended by striking out the entire section and inserting in place thereof
- 3 the following sentence:
- 4 It shall not constitute a defense to any cause of action based on tort brought against a
- 5 corporation, trustees of a trust, or members of an association that said corporation, trust or
- 6 association is, or at the time of the cause of action arose was, a charity.