

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1821**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Tram T. Nguyen***

*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 updating the definition of sexual assault counsellor to expand confidentiality protections.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                              | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:                     | DATE ADDED:      |
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| <i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>              | <i>18th Essex</i>                     | <i>2/17/2021</i> |
| <i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>           | <i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i> | <i>2/23/2021</i> |
| <i>Christina A. Minicucci</i>      | <i>14th Essex</i>                     | <i>2/24/2021</i> |
| <i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>         | <i>1st Hampshire</i>                  | <i>2/24/2021</i> |
| <i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i> | <i>17th Worcester</i>                 | <i>2/26/2021</i> |
| <i>James K. Hawkins</i>            | <i>2nd Bristol</i>                    | <i>2/26/2021</i> |
| <i>David Allen Robertson</i>       | <i>19th Middlesex</i>                 | <i>2/26/2021</i> |

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By Ms. Nguyen of Andover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1821) of Tram T. Nguyen and others for legislation to include licensed mental health counselors in the definition of sexual assault counsellor. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act updating the definition of sexual assault counsellor to expand confidentiality protections.

*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 20J of Chapter 233 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “worker,” in line 10, the following
- 3 words:- “ licensed mental health counselor,”.