

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1952**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Christine P. Barber***

*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 bring child support home.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>

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By Ms. Barber of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1952) of Christine P. Barber and others relative to recovered amounts of child support obligations. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**

An Act to bring child support home.

*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. Section 2 of chapter 118 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the first paragraph the following:--  
3 Child support collections shall be paid to a recipient of benefits under this chapter to the extent  
4 that the federal government will waive or not have a claim to a federal share of such collections  
5 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 657. Any amounts paid to the family under this provision shall be  
6 disregarded in determining the amount of assistance provided to the family.

7           SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 119A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
8 amended by inserting at the end of subsection (b) the following:-- Pursuant to Title IV, Part D of  
9 the Social Security Act, in the case of former recipients of assistance, the IV-D agency shall pay  
10 to the family all support payments collected, including payments on arrears assigned to the state  
11 and payments collected through federal tax refund offset.

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SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2018.