

HOUSE No. 1965

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James J. Lyons, 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 proof of residency.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

James J. Lyons, Jr.

18th Essex

David F. DeCoste

5th Plymouth

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By Mr. Lyons of Andover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1965) of James J. Lyons, Jr. and David F. DeCoste relative to residency verification for persons seeking certain benefits from the Commonwealth. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 104 OF 2015-2016.]

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

An Act relative to proof of residency.

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: The General Laws are hereby amended by inserting after chapter 117A the
2 following new chapter:--

3 Chapter 117B

4 Residency Requirements for Public Benefits

5 Section 1. Self declaration of residency shall not be accepted as a valid form of residency
6 verification for people seeking taxpayer-funded individual benefits from the Commonwealth of
7 Massachusetts. “.