

HOUSE No. 1983

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, 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 fees at health clubs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1983) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to membership fees at health clubs for certain physically or medically disabled persons. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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

An Act relative to fees at health clubs.

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 80 of chapter 93 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the last paragraph the following:-

3 “If a buyer becomes physically or medically disabled for a period in excess of three
4 months during the membership term, he or she shall have the option to be relieved of liability for
5 payment on that portion of the contract term for which the buyer is disabled, or to extend the
6 duration of the contract at no additional cost for a period equal to the duration of the disability.

7 No contract shall impose any type of fee for a period of three months if the buyer
8 becomes physically and medically disabled and the disability is verified by a licensed physician.”