

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2259**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Claire D. Cronin*

*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 facilitate separate settlements in multi-defendant negligence cases.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>

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By Ms. Cronin of Easton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2259) of Claire D. Cronin and Jeffrey N. Roy relative to contributory negligence. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3435 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act to facilitate separate settlements in multi-defendant negligence cases.

*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 85 of Chapter 231 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the
- 2 word “sought”, in line 11, the following words:- and persons whose liability has been discharged
- 3 pursuant to section 4 of chapter 231B.