

HOUSE No. 227

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul W. Mark

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 update the home improvement contractor law.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Paul W. Mark

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

2nd Berkshire

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By Mr. Mark of Peru, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 227) of Paul W. Mark for legislation to establish a special commission to review the home improvement contractor law. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 249 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act to update the home improvement contractor law.

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- There shall be a special commission to study the feasibility of updating the
2 laws regarding regulation of home improvement contractors. The commission shall investigate
3 the effectiveness of the Residential Contractor’s Guaranty Fund and the feasibility of improving
4 the civil action system and enforcement of civil judgments.

5 The Commission shall consist of the Attorney General or their designee, the Sheriff of
6 each county or their designee, a representative of the Chief Justice of the District Court from
7 each county, the Chief Justice of the Boston Municipal Court or their designee, the
8 Undersecretary of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation or their designee, a representative
9 of the Massachusetts Consumers’ Coalition, a representative of the Associated Builders and
10 Contractors of Massachusetts. The commission shall convene its first official meeting not later

- 11 than one year from the passage of this Act. The commission shall issue their report not later than
- 12 one year after the first official meeting. The commissioners shall not receive compensation.