

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3014**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***James J. O'Day***

*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 regarding homeless shelter beds for unaccompanied young adults.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Michael S. Day</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Natalie Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>

<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>John J. Mahoney</i>	<i>13th Worcester</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Brian Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Jose F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>

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By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3014) of James J. O'Day and others relative to providing shelter beds for unaccompanied young adults experiencing homelessness . Housing.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act regarding homeless shelter beds for unaccompanied young adults.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide separate sections specifically providing beds for unaccompanied young adults experiencing homelessness who are aged from 18 to 24 years old, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*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. Chapter 23B of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the  
2 following section:-

3           Section 31. A homeless shelter receiving state or federal funding shall cooperate with the  
4 department in providing separate sections specifically providing beds for unaccompanied young  
5 adults experiencing homelessness who are aged from 18 to 24 years old.

6           SECTION 2. The department of housing and community development shall promulgate  
7 rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this act.