

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3022**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Daniel M. Donahue***

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*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 improve methods of recording at the registry of deeds.**

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>

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By Representative Donahue of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3022) of Daniel M. Donahue relative to methods of recording at the registries of deeds. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act to improve methods of recording at the registry of deeds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 157 the  
2 following section-:

3 Section 158: Methods of Recording

4 The register shall record all instruments upon the pages of the record books in fair and  
5 legible handwriting or in print, and in continuous successive lines, and shall note on the record,  
6 before attesting the same, all erasures and interlineations and the value of any stamp affixed  
7 thereto pursuant to federal law, and the cancellation thereof, and shall make duplicate copies of  
8 all books in their registry in which deeds, certificates of title and other instruments have been  
9 recorded or entered.