

HOUSE No. 3460

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Claire D. Cronin and Thomas P. Kennedy

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act providing for home modifications and moving expenses for certain victims of the Boston Marathon bombings.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Thomas P. Kennedy</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>Christopher M. Markey</i>	<i>9th Bristol</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>James E. Timilty</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>

<i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i>	<i>14th Norfolk</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>
<i>Michael R. Knapik</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>John J. Binienda</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian R. Mannal</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Leonard Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>
<i>Mark C. Montigny</i>	<i>Second Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Shaunna O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael F. Rush</i>	<i>Norfolk and Suffolk</i>
<i>Karen E. Spilka</i>	<i>Second Middlesex and Norfolk</i>
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Barry R. Finegold</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Katherine M. Clark</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>

<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Peter J. Durant</i>	<i>6th Worcester</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian A. Joyce</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Timothy R. Madden</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Kathleen O'Connor Ives</i>	<i>First Essex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Cleon H. Turner</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>

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By Representative Cronin of Easton and Senator Kennedy, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Claire D. Cronin, Thomas Kennedy and others relative to providing for home modifications and moving expenses for certain victims of the Boston Marathon bombings. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

An Act providing for home modifications and moving expenses for certain victims of the Boston Marathon bombings.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to provide forthwith benefits to certain victims of the Boston Marathon bombings, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience., therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a person who has either: (1)
2 lost a limb or limbs or (2) lost the use of a limb or limbs, as a result of the Boston Marathon
3 bombings on April 15, 2013 shall receive benefits for the purpose of home modification or
4 moving expenses to suitably accessible housing . This benefit shall be used to provide any
5 modification, including but not limited to special fixtures or movable facilities, moving expenses
6 to obtain suitable alternative housing, made necessary by the nature of the person's disability.
7 Said benefit shall, subject to appropriation, be available either for the modification of the
8 dwelling unit in which such person resides or for moving expenses to suitable housing and shall
9 not exceed \$10,000.

10 The secretary of administration and finance shall promulgate rules and regulations
11 necessary for the identification of eligible victims of the Boston Marathon bombings and the
12 awarding of home modification or relocation benefits.