

HOUSE No. 3808

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tram T. Nguyen

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 protecting federal employees in the commonwealth during a federal government shutdown.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Nika C. Elugardo</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>

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By Ms. Nguyen of Andover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3808) of Tram T. Nguyen and others relative to nonpayment of rent or foreclosure by federal employees during a federal government shutdown. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act protecting federal employees in the commonwealth during a federal government shutdown.

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 chapter 186 or 239 of the General Laws or any other general or special
2 law to the contrary, an employee of the United States Government furloughed as a result of a
3 lapse in federal appropriations shall be exempt from summary process due to nonpayment of rent
4 or judgment for possession following a foreclosure, during a government shutdown; provided
5 further, that no such summary process action may be brought less than 6 months after such
6 shutdown ends.