

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4980**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act establishing a sick leave bank for Rachael Purnell, an employee of the Trial Court.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the Middlesex Probate and Family Court, 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           by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:-

2           “Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the trial court shall establish  
3 a sick leave bank for Rachael Purnell, an employee of the Middlesex probate and family court in  
4 the department of the trial court. Any employee of the trial court may voluntarily contribute 1 or  
5 more sick, personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by Rachael Purnell. If  
6 Rachael Purnell terminates employment with the trial court or requests to dissolve the sick leave  
7 bank, any remaining time in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the trial court paid leave  
8 bank. Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or disability  
9 that necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the trial court.”.