

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2444**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Eric P. Lesser*

*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 establishing a sick leave bank for Melvin Maldonado, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Eric P. Lesser</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>	
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>	<i>4/5/2018</i>

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By Mr. Lesser, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2444) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Eric P. Lesser and José F. Tosado for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Melvin Maldonado, an employee of the Department of Mental Health. Public Service.

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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 Melvin Maldonado, an employee of the Department of Mental Health.

*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 department of mental health, 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           Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of mental  
2 health shall establish a sick leave bank for Melvin Maldonado, an employee of the department.  
3 Any employee of the department may voluntarily contribute 1 or more sick, personal or vacation  
4 days to the sick leave bank for use by Melvin Maldonado. If Melvin Maldonado terminates  
5 employment with the department or requests to dissolve the sick leave bank, any remaining time  
6 in the sick leave bank shall be transferred to the extended illness leave bank. Sick leave bank  
7 days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or disability that necessitated the  
8 establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the department.