

SENATE No. 844

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William N. Brownsberger, (BY REQUEST)

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 bill:

An Act relative to workers' compensation appeals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Albert DeBonise

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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Watertown, MA 02472

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By Mr. Brownsberger (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 844) of Albert DeBonise for legislation relative to workers' compensation appeals. Labor and Workforce Development.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to workers' compensation appeals.

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

1 Section 13A of Chapter 152 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the
2 following new subsection (12):

3 (12) Notwithstanding any general or special law or rule or regulation to the contrary, an
4 injured party who qualifies under eligibility standards to be set by the department shall have
5 available to him at no expense the services of a legal advocate or legal counsel for any
6 appearance before the Appeals Board or any court.