

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4949

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By Mrs. Cleven of Chelmsford (by request), petition of Mark Brown for legislation to require quorums of all committees of the General Court during hearings on petitions for legislation. Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

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## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Two.

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AN ACT TO REQUIRE QUORUMS OF ALL COMMITTEES OF THE GENERAL COURT DURING HEARINGS ON PETITIONS FOR LEGISLATION.

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

- 1 Chapter 3 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting
- 2 after section 35 the following section: —
- 3 Section 35A. All committees of the general court shall hold
- 4 public hearings on all matters referred to them and all petitions
- 5 for legislation filed with the general court under the right of free
- 6 petition shall be heard by at least fifty percent of the total
- 7 membership assigned to such committee which shall constitute a
- 8 quorum and which shall be maintained throughout the duration
- 9 of the public hearings.

