

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1231**

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By Mr. Lantigua of Lawrence, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1231) of William Lantigua relative to residency requirements under the rental assistance program. Housing.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**William Lantigua**

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*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 rental and tenant selection.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

William Lantigua

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

16th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1268 OF 2007-2008.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO RENTAL AND TENANT SELECTION.

*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 1. Section 44 of Chapter 121B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words “who need not be  
3 residents a of the city or town, but shall be residents of the commonwealth” and inserting in  
4 place thereof the following:- who shall be residents of the commonwealth for a period of 2 years  
5 prior to the date of application, and who shall furnish satisfactory proof of such residency.