

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Brown, Scott (SEN)

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 homestead declarations recording of deeds

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| Brown, Scott (SEN) | Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex |
| Mr. Tisei | Middlesex and Essex |
| Mr. Tarr | First Essex and Middlesex |
| Mr. Hedlund | Plymouth and Norfolk |
| Mr. Knapik | Second Hampden and Hampshire |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S00818 OF .]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO HOMESTEAD DECLARATIONS RECORDING OF DEEDS.

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. Chapter 188 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out section
2 2 in its entirety and inserting in its place the following new section:-

3 Section 2. Notwithstanding the rights of any mortgagee, upon the recoding of any deed
4 accompanied by an affidavit, signed, sealed and acknowledged that the conveyed premises are
5 the primary residence of the grantee, an estate of homestead shall be created in the conveyed
6 property by the grantee. To acquire a claim of homestead in a manufactured home, the fact that it
7 is designed to be held as such shall be set forth in writing duly signed, sealed and acknowledged
8 and filed at the city or town clerk's office in the city or town in which the manufactured home is
9 located. The acquisition of a new estate or claim of homestead shall defeat and discharge any
10 such previous estate.