

HOUSE No. 89

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Christine P. Barber

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 to bring child support home.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Nika C. Elugardo</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>
<i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Maria Duaine Robinson</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Barber of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 89) of Christine P. Barber and others relative to recovered amounts of child support obligations. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1952 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)

An Act to bring child support home.

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 2 of chapter 118 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the first paragraph the following:--
3 Child support collections shall be paid to a recipient of benefits under this chapter to the extent
4 that the federal government will waive or not have a claim to a federal share of such collections
5 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 657. Any amounts paid to the family under this provision shall be
6 disregarded in determining the amount of assistance provided to the family.

7 SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 119A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
8 amended by inserting at the end of subsection (b) the following:-- Pursuant to Title IV, Part D of
9 the Social Security Act, in the case of former recipients of assistance, the IV-D agency shall pay

10 to the family all support payments collected, including payments on arrears assigned to the state
11 and payments collected through federal tax refund offset.

12 SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2019.