

HOUSE No. 2283

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David T. Vieira, (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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act related to amending birth certificates.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jenna Orlando</i>	<i>109 Sam Turner Road, East Falmouth</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>

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By Representative Vieira of Falmouth (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2283) of Jenna Orlando for legislation to regulate changes to previously issued birth certificates. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE [Refile Branch], NO. OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act related to amending birth certificates.

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

- 1 Moves to amend MGL Chapter 46, Section 13 by adding the following section:
- 2 (l) Upon receipt of a certified copy of an order of a court of competent jurisdiction
- 3 changing the name of a person born in this state and upon request of such person or such
- 4 person’s parents, guardian, or legal representative, the commissioner or the registrar of vital
- 5 statistics of the town in which the vital event occurred shall amend the birth certificate to show
- 6 the new name by a method prescribed by the department.