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HOUSE . . . . . No. 1099

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Malia

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:

An Act relative to LGBT awareness training for aging services providers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Elizabeth A. Malia	*11th Suffolk*
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	*12th Hampden*
William N. Brownsberger	☐ *[District]* ☐
Frank I. Smizik	*15th Norfolk*
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	*34th Middlesex*
Sarah K. Peake	*4th Barnstable*
Cory Atkins	*14th Middlesex*
Kay Khan	*11th Middlesex*
James B. Eldridge	☐ *[District]* ☐
Tom Sannicandro	*7th Middlesex*
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	*26th Middlesex*
Jeffrey Sánchez	*15th Suffolk*
Gloria L. Fox	*7th Suffolk*
Patricia D. Jehlen	

	[District]
Denise Provost	*27th Middlesex*
Denise Andrews	*2nd Franklin*
Kate Hogan	*3rd Middlesex*
Byron Rushing	*9th Suffolk*
Alice K. Wolf	*25th Middlesex*
Richard J. Ross	*Norfolk, Bristol, and Middlesex*
Paul J. Donato	*35th Middlesex*
Sean Garballey	*23rd Middlesex*
Louis L. Kafka	*8th Norfolk*
Ellen Story	*3rd Hampshire*
Gale D. Candaras	*[District]*
Cleon H. Turner	*1st Barnstable*
Sonia Chang-Diaz	*[District]*
Linda Dorcena Forry	*12th Suffolk*

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By Ms. Malia of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1099) of Elizabeth A. Malia and others relative to Department of Elder Affairs prevention and elimination of discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity and expression. Elder Affairs.

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An Act relative to LGBT awareness training for aging services providers.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 19A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 official edition, is hereby amended by adding the following new section:-

Section 6A: The department shall focus on the prevention and elimination of discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity and expression, as well as on improving access to services for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender elders and caregivers. To that end, the department shall work to ensure that a curriculum is developed that will support the training for the delivery of services. The department shall require that over a period of time such training be completed by all providers of services who contract with or receive funding from the department, from Aging Service Access Points and/or from the MassHealth Office of Long Term Care, or whose services are certified by the department.

The department shall develop a process and timeframe for completing such trainings by those who deliver services.