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HOUSE . . . . . No. 527

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Daniel K. Webster*, (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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act relative to in law apartments.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Philip Dwyer	*117 Plantation Drive* *Duxbury, MA 02332*

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By Mr. Webster of Pembroke (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 527) of Philip Dwyer relative to in-law apartment restrictions. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *4012* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act relative to in law apartments.

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. Section 30 of chapter 184 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph, the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no restriction determined to be of such actual and substantial benefit may prevent a senior parent of a homeowner from occupation of said addition or alteration as long as the following stipulations occur: (a) the alteration or addition shall be one level not to exceed 1,000 square feet and may contain one bedroom, living room, kitchen, dining area, and one full bathroom; (b) the unit may only be used as senior housing and never as income property; provided, however, if the senior occupancy is no longer needed, the unit shall be converted back to a common living area by the homeowner; and (c)the unit must be altered subject to the building code of the commonwealth, and must conform to Title V regulations in order to be granted a building permit.