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HOUSE . . . . . No. 633

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Martin J. Walsh*, (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 video and audio patient protection system..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bill Trabucco	*Dorchester, MA*

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By Mr. Walsh of Boston (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 633) of Bill Trabucco relative to the video and audio recording of certain surgeries. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *2184* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act relative to video and audio patient protection system..

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 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 203 the following new section:-

203A (a) Every licensed hospital in Massachusetts shall allow any patient undergoing surgery to have the option at the patient's expense, to have a licensed medical videographer, video and audio record the patients surgery. The videographer would not need to be in the operative room during the surgical procedure. A copy of the said surgery will be given to the hospital for their records free of charge. Failure to allow a patient to elect this option will result in a fine of not more than $10,000. (b)The DPH shall establish criteria for the licensure of medical videographers.

SECTION 2: Upon passage of this bill it shall be named, Leona's Law.