

HOUSE No. 1896

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Matthew A. Beaton and Michael O. Moore

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 relative to the closure of the Irving A. Glavin Regional Center.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Matthew A. Beaton

11th Worcester

Michael O. Moore

Second Worcester

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By Mr. Beaton of Shrewsbury and Senator Michael O. Moore, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1896) of Matthew A. Beaton and Michael O. Moore for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the effects of closing the Irving A. Glavin Center in Shrewsbury. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen
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An Act relative to the closure of the Irving A. Glavin Regional Center.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, an independent,
2 non-governmental entity, appointed by the Inspector General of the Commonwealth, shall
3 complete a study of the closing of the Irving A. Glavin Regional Center including intensive
4 individual supports, for the purpose of closing this state institution; provided further, that no
5 steps shall be taken to close said institution through layoffs until the study is completed;
6 provided further, that the study shall examine the costs and benefits of maintaining the institution
7 and shall identify alternative methods of providing the services currently provided by this
8 institution; provided further, that the study shall identify the number and names of all private
9 nonprofit vendors who contract with the department to provide direct care in the community, the
10 amount of state and federal resources paid to those vendors in fiscal years 2010, 2011 and 2012
11 and the amount of clients served by these private nonprofit vendors in each of those fiscal years;
12 provided further, that nothing in this item shall preclude an individual from exercising his rights
13 to transfer to a community based residential placement either state or vendor operated; provided
14 further, that the secretary shall report its findings in and its recommendations to the House and
15 Senate Committees on Ways and Means not later than July 31, 2013.