

SENATE No. 1473

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth J. Donnelly, (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 relative to records open to public inspection.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Barbara Matthews</i>	<i>22 Drummer Boy Way Lexington, MA 02420</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>

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By Mr. Donnelly (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1473) of Barbara Matthews and Bruce J. Ayers for legislation relative to records open to public inspection. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to records open to public inspection.

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 7 of Chapter 66 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by adding the following
2 sentence:

3 “All records in the custody of the state secretary which are ninety years or older shall be
4 open to public inspection.”

5 Section 2A of Chapter 46 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out, in the
6 first sentence, the words “children born out of wedlock or” and “or those of persons born out of
7 wedlock”.

8 Subsection 26c of Section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
9 inserting after the word “information” the following words: of living people; and by inserting
10 after the word “named” the following word: living.