

HOUSE No. 132

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act providing for random reviews of abuse investigations conducted by the Department of Mental Retardation..

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. Section 3 of Chapter 19C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (i) the following subsection:—
3 (j) to conduct random reviews of 10% of the department of mental retardation’s
4 investigation into alleged abuse. The reviews shall be carried out to ensure that any follow-up
5 action recommended is being carried out to remedy the abuse, and to ensure that follow-up
6 action is recommended when appropriate. At the completion of its review, the disabled persons
7 protection commission shall forward a report of its findings to the department and to the
8 secretary of health and human services.