

HOUSE No. 2252

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to certain missing persons..

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 1 of chapter 22A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of “Missing child or
3 children’ the following definition:-

4 “Missing person” any adult suffering from dementia missing from his normal and
5 ordinary place of residence and whose whereabouts cannot be determined by the person
6 responsible for such person’s care.

7 Section 2. Section 2 of said chapter 22A, as so appearing is hereby amended by inserting
8 after the word “child” in line 4 the following:- or missing person

9 Section 3. Section 4 of said chapter 22A, as so appearing by inserting after the word
10 “child” in lines 3, 5 and 10, in each instance, the fellow or adult suffering from dementia

11 Section 4. Section 6 of said chapter 22A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
12 inserting after the word “person” in line 1 and 11 the following:- or child

13 Section 5. Said section 6 of said chapter 22A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
14 by inserting after the word “persons” in line 7 the following:- or children

15 Section 6. Section 7 of said chapter 22A, as so appearing is hereby amended by inserting
16 after the word “child” in lines 4 and 6 in each instance the following:- or missing person