

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3419**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act to study the need for drug rehabilitation for Department of Children and Families' clients..

*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. Pursuant to section 3 of Chapter 111E of the General Laws, there shall be  
2 placed on the books of the Commonwealth a commission to study the need for drug related  
3 rehabilitation for clients of the Department of Children and Families.

4           The commission shall study the need for rehabilitation, access to rehabilitation and the  
5 capacity of the state’s resources to provide rehabilitation to the clients of the Department of  
6 Children and Families.

7           Section 2. The Commission shall be comprised of the Secretary of Health and Human  
8 Services, the Commissioner of Children and Families, the Commissioner of Public Health or  
9 their designee, 2 members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the  
10 House, 2 members of the Senate, appointed by the Senate President, 1 social worker, not  
11 currently employed by the department and 2 former clients of the department appointed by the  
12 Governor.

13           Section 3. The commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the  
14 Governor, Speaker of the House, Senate President, Chairmen of the Committees on Ways and  
15 Means, the Joint Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, the Joint  
16 Committee on Healthcare Financing, and the Clerks of the House and Senate no later than  
17 December 31, 2010.