

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4461**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Ten**  
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An Act addressing LGBT elder inclusion..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 19A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 official edition, is hereby  
2 amended by adding the following new section:

3 Section 6A: The department shall focus on the prevention and elimination of  
4 discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity and expression, as well as on  
5 improving access to services for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender elders and caregivers. To  
6 that end, the department shall work to ensure that a curriculum is developed that will support the  
7 training for the delivery of services. The department shall require that over a period of time such  
8 training be completed by all providers of services who contract with or receive funding from the  
9 department, from Aging Service Access Points and/or from the MassHealth Office of Long Term  
10 Care, or whose services are certified by the department.

11 The department shall develop a process and timeframe for completing such trainings by  
12 those who deliver services.