# **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 1099**

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Elizabeth A. Malia

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 LGBT awareness training for aging services providers.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk	1/20/2011
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden	1/20/2011
William N. Brownsberger		1/25/2011
Frank I. Smizik	15th Norfolk	1/26/2011
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	34th Middlesex	1/26/2011
Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable	1/28/2011
Cory Atkins	14th Middlesex	1/31/2011
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	1/31/2011
James B. Eldridge		2/2/2011
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex	2/1/2011
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex	2/2/2011
Jeffrey Sánchez	15th Suffolk	2/3/2011
Gloria L. Fox	7th Suffolk	2/3/2011
Patricia D. Jehlen		2/3/2011
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex	2/3/2011
Denise Andrews	2nd Franklin	2/3/2011
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex	2/3/2011
Byron Rushing	9th Suffolk	2/3/2011

Alice K. Wolf	25th Middlesex	2/3/2011
Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex	2/3/2011
Paul J. Donato	35th Middlesex	2/3/2011
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	2/4/2011
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk	2/4/2011
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire	2/4/2011
Gale D. Candaras		2/4/2011
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable	2/4/2011
Sonia Chang-Diaz		2/4/2011
Linda Dorcena Forry	12th Suffolk	2/4/2011

## **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 1099**

By Ms. Malia of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1099) of Elizabeth A. Malia and others relative to Department of Elder Affairs prevention and elimination of discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity and expression. Elder Affairs.

### The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to LGBT awareness training for aging services providers.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter 19A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 official edition,
- 2 is hereby 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.
- The department shall develop a process and timeframe for completing such trainings by
- those who deliver services.