

HOUSE No. 3810

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to gender identity.

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 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:-

3 Fifty-ninth, “Gender identity” shall mean a person's gender-related identity, appearance
4 or behavior, whether or not that gender-related identity, appearance or behavior is different from
5 that traditionally associated with the person's physiology or assigned sex at birth. Gender-related
6 identity may be shown by providing evidence including, but not limited to, medical history, care
7 or treatment of the gender-related identity, consistent and uniform assertion of the gender-related
8 identity or any other evidence that the gender-related identity is sincerely held, as part of a
9 person's core identity; provided however, gender-related identity shall not be asserted for any
10 improper purpose.

11 SECTION 2. Section 32 of chapter 22C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
12 amended by inserting after the word “gender”, in line 12, the following words:- , gender identity.

13 SECTION 3. Section 89 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
14 amended by inserting after the word “sex”, in lines 91 and 320, the following words:- , gender
15 identity.

16 SECTION 4. Section 5 of chapter 76 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
17 amended by inserting after the word “sex”, in line 10, the following words:- , gender identity.

18 SECTION 5. Section 12B of said chapter 76, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
19 inserting after the word “sex”, in line 185, the following words:- , gender identity.

20 SECTION 6. Section 3 of chapter 151B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
21 amended by inserting after the word “sex”, in lines 17 and 61, the following words:- , gender
22 identity .

23 SECTION 7. Section 4 of said chapter 151B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
24 inserting in each instance after the word “sex”, in lines 3, 69, 82, 87, 96, 103, 136, 163, 169, 179,
25 226, 233, 243, 339, 349, 353, 359, 485, 495, 505, 535, 661 and 670 the following words:- ,
26 gender identity.

27 SECTION 8. Section 39 of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
28 amended by inserting after the words “sexual orientation”, in line 4, the following words:- ,
29 gender identity.

30 SECTION 9. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.