

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 484**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Elizabeth A. Poirier*

*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 sex selection in pregnancy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/19/2011</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Joyce A. Spiliotis</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>	<i>1/26/2011</i>
<i>George T. Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>James J. Lyons, Jr.</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>1/21/2011</i>
<i>Richard Bastien</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2011</i>
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2011</i>
<i>Steven L. Levy</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>

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By Ms. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 484) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to prohibit abortions solely on account of the sex of the unborn child. The Judiciary.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to sex selection in pregnancy.

*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.

2 Section 12L of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official  
3 Edition of the General Laws of Massachusetts, is hereby amended by striking the period at the  
4 end thereof and adding the following:— “provided, however, no physician shall intentionally  
5 perform such an abortion with the knowledge that the mother is seeking the abortion solely on  
6 account of the sex of the unborn child.”

7 SECTION 2.

8 Section 12M of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official  
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10 end thereof and adding the following:— “provided, however, no physician shall intentionally  
11 perform such an abortion with the knowledge that the mother is seeking the abortion solely on  
12 account of the sex of the unborn child.”