HOUSE No. 515

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ellen Story and Byron Rushing

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 updating the laws to protect women's health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire	1/19/2011
Byron Rushing	9th Suffolk	1/19/2011
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex	2/4/2011
Gailanne M. Cariddi	1st Berkshire	2/4/2011
Alice K. Wolf	25th Middlesex	2/4/2011
Denise Andrews	2nd Franklin	2/4/2011
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden	2/4/2011
David M. Torrisi	14th Essex	2/4/2011
Susan C. Fargo		2/4/2011
Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable	2/4/2011
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester	2/4/2011
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex	2/4/2011
Denise C. Garlick	13th Norfolk	2/4/2011
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk	2/4/2011
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk	2/3/2011
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth	2/3/2011
Stephen Kulik	1st Franklin	2/3/2011
George T. Ross	2nd Bristol	2/3/2011

Jay R. Kaufman	15th Middlesex	2/3/2011
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	34th Middlesex	1/28/2011
Frank I. Smizik	15th Norfolk	1/28/2011
Jason M. Lewis	31st Middlesex	1/28/2011
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	1/28/2011
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex	1/28/2011
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex	1/31/2011
Lori A. Ehrlich	8th Essex	2/1/2011
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester	2/1/2011
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex	2/1/2011
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex	2/1/2011
Thomas P. Conroy	13th Middlesex	2/1/2011
Cory Atkins	14th Middlesex	2/1/2011
Peter V. Kocot	1st Hampshire	2/1/2011
Michael J. Moran	18th Suffolk	2/1/2011
Paul W. Mark	2nd Berkshire	2/1/2011
Aaron Michlewitz	3rd Suffolk	2/3/2011
John W. Scibak	2nd Hampshire	2/3/2011
Martha M. Walz	8th Suffolk	2/3/2011
Paul Brodeur	32nd Middlesex	2/3/2011
Ann-Margaret Ferrante	5th Essex	2/3/2011
William N. Brownsberger		1/25/2011
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex	2/3/2011
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	10th Hampden	2/3/2011
James B. Eldridge		2/4/2011
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable	2/4/2011
John D. Keenan	7th Essex	2/4/2011

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By Representatives Story of Amherst and Rushing of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 515) of Ellen Story and others for legislation to further regulate the performance of abortions and protecting women's reproductive health. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act updating the laws to protect women's health.

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. Section 12Q of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place
- 3 thereof the following paragraph: -
- Except in an emergency requiring immediate action, no abortion may be performed under
- 5 section 12L or 12M unless the written consent of the proper person has been delivered to the
- 6 physician performing the abortion as set forth in section 12S.
- 7 SECTION 2. Section 19 of chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.
- 8 SECTION 3. Section 20 of said chapter 272 is hereby repealed.
- 9 SECTION 4. Section 21 of said chapter 272 is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 5. Section 21A of chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
- Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in lines 2, 4 and 8 the word "married".