HOUSE No. 60

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kay Khan

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 pertaining to definitions in the office of the child advocate.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	1/19/2011
George T. Ross	2nd Bristol	2/4/2011

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By Ms. Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 60) of Kay Khan and George T. Ross relative to definitions in the office of the child advocate. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act pertaining to definitions in the office of the child advocate.

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

- 1 M.G.L.18c, sec 1 is amended by striking lines 6 through 12 and replacing them with the
- 2 following;
- 3 "Critical incident", (a) a fatality, near fatality, or serious bodily injury of a child who is in
- 4 the custody or receiving services from an executive agency of the commonwealth; or (b)
- 5 circumstances which result in a reasonable belief that the executive agency failed in its duty to
- 6 protect a child and, as a result, the child was at imminent risk of, or suffered serious bodily
- 7 injury.