

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 79**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Thomas M. Stanley*

*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 resolve:

Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to the misclassification and misdiagnosis of former residents of the Fernald state school..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/5/2011</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2011</i>

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By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 79) of Thomas M. Stanley and Tom Sannicandro for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the misclassification and misdiagnosis of former residents of the Fernald State School. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 186 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to the misclassification and misdiagnosis of former residents of the Fernald state school..

1           **Resolved**, That a special commission, to consist of 3 members of the senate, 3 members  
2 of the house of representatives, the commissioner of mental retardation or his designee and 4  
3 members to be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be a member of the Fernald League  
4 is hereby establish for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative to the  
5 misclassification and misdiagnosis of former residents of the Fernald State School. Said  
6 investigation and study shall include, but not be limited to the extent and effect of such  
7 misclassifications, reparations for the denial of education and labor performed and the providing  
8 of counseling for former residents.

9           Said commission shall report to the house of representatives the results of its  
10 investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation

- 11 necessary to carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the house
- 12 of representatives on or before Jan 1,2011.