

SENATE No. 1174

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Steven A. Tolman

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 screening for developmental disabilities..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Steven A. Tolman

Tom Sannicandro

7th Middlesex

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By Mr. Tolman, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1174) of Sannicandro and Tolman for legislation relative to screening for developmental disabilities [Joint Committee on Public Health].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 907 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to screening for developmental disabilities..

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. Chapter 111 of the General Laws , as appearing in the 2008 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 110B the following section: -

3 Section 110C . The department, in consultation with the commissioner of
4 developmental services, shall promulgate rules and regulations for the testing, treatment, care,
5 and parental counseling of autism and autism spectrum disorders. The earliest age for screening
6 and the method of screening shall be determined and re-determined by the commissioner in
7 accordance with said regulations in light of advances in medical science.