

SENATE No. 1581

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia D. Jehlen

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 to provide for the public inspection of records made or received by special state police officers at educational institutions and hospitals..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Patricia D. Jehlen

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Ms. Jehlen, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1581) of Patricia D. Jehlen for legislation to provide for the public inspection of records made or received by special state police officers at educational institutions and hospitals. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1421 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to provide for the public inspection of records made or received by special state police officers at educational institutions and hospitals..

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. Section 63 of chapter 22C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:—

3 All records, reports or other documentary materials or data made or received for the
4 purpose of law enforcement by a special state police officer, appointed pursuant to this section,
5 shall be public records unless such records fall within 1 or more of the exemptions in clause
6 Twenty-sixth of section 7 of chapter 4 or are education records as defined in 20 U.S.C. §
7 1232g(a)(4). Such public records shall be kept and maintained in the custody of the law
8 enforcement unit of such college or university,

9 SECTION 2. Section 1 of chapter 66 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
10 amended by inserting after the word “necessary.”, in line 9, the following sentence:— He shall
11 see that the public records made or maintained by an employee of a college or university,
12 appointed as a special state police officer pursuant to section 63 of chapter 22C, are kept in the
13 custody and condition required by the laws relating to such special state police officers so
14 appointed.

15 SECTION 3. Subsection (a) of section 10 of said chapter 66, as so appearing, is hereby
16 amended by inserting after the word “four”, in line 2, the following words:— or section 63 of
17 chapter 22C.

18 SECTION 4. Said Subsection (a) of section 10 of said chapter 66, as so appearing, is
19 hereby further amended by inserting after the word “police”, in line 11, the first time it appears,
20 the following words:— , law enforcement records of special state police officers, appointed
21 pursuant to section 63 of chapter 22C.