

SENATE No. 35

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia S. Creem

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 emergency aid to the elderly, disabled and children..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Cynthia S. Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Ms. Creem, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 35) of Creem for legislation relative to emergency aid to the elderly, disabled and children [Joint Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 34 OF 2009-2010.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to emergency aid to the elderly, disabled and children..

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. Notwithstanding any law or regulation to the contrary, the
2 Department of Transitional Assistance is hereby authorized and directed to conduct a study
3 relative to benefits under the Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled and Children (EAEDC)
4 program. Said study will examine cost of living factors including but not limited to housing,
5 food, transportation, clothing, and healthcare, and assess the need for an increase in EAEDC
6 benefits.

7 The results of said study shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Senate
8 Committee on Ways and Means, the Chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means,
9 and the House and Senate Chairmen of the Joint Committee on Elder Affairs no later than March
10 31, 2012.