

**SENATE . . . . . No. 39**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***James B. Eldridge***

*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 the authority of the disabled persons protection commission pursuant to chapter 19C.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*James B. Eldridge*

*Ellen Story*

*3rd Hampshire*

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By Mr. Eldridge, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 39) of James B. Eldridge and Ellen Story for legislation to further define the authority of the disabled persons protection commission [Joint Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities].

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 144 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to the authority of the disabled persons protection commission pursuant to chapter 19C.

*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 of chapter 19C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended as follows:

3           By amending the definition of "Mandated reporter" as so appearing by striking out all  
4 language following the words "police officer" on line 27 through line 32 and inserting in place  
5 thereof the following: -

6           . . . , fire fighter, emergency medical technician, paramedic, correctional officer or  
7 person employed by a state agency within the executive office of health and human services as  
8 defined by section sixteen of chapter six A, or employed by a private entity providing services or

- 9 treatment to a disabled person who, in his professional capacity, shall have reasonable cause to
- 10 believe that a disabled person is suffering from a reportable condition.