

# SENATE . . . . . No. 730

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## 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 the rights of children adopted by unmarried persons.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Cynthia S. Creem*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 730) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation relative to the rights of children adopted by unmarried persons. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1652 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven  
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An Act relative to the rights of children adopted by unmarried persons.

*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 210 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition  
2 is hereby amended by inserting after Section 6E, the following section:-

3                   Section 6F. After an adjudication of adoption, in the event that the adoptive  
4 parents are not married to each other, in any dispute as may arise as to custody, visitation,  
5 support, education, maintenance and health insurance, the adoptive parent may seek relief under  
6 sections nine, ten, eleven, eighteen, nineteen and twenty of chapter two hundred and nine C  
7 provided however that the provisions of paragraph B of section 10 of chapter two hundred and  
8 nine C shall not apply to this section.