

HOUSE No. 1235

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Antonio F. D. Cabral

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 defining court administrative records as public records.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Martha M. Walz</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>

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By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1235) of Antonio F. D. Cabral, Jason M. Lewis and Martha M. Walz for legislation to include court administrative records in the law defining public records. The Judiciary.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act defining court administrative records as public records.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in the General Court
2 assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

3 SECTION 1. Section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
4 official edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "thereof," at line 131, the
5 following words:--

6 or of the office of court management or the office of probation.

7 SECTION 2. Section 7 of said chapter 4, as so appearing is hereby further amended by
8 inserting at the end of subclause (f) of clause twenty-sixth the following words:--

9 , and information regarding the supervision of individual named probationers; provided
10 that when such information is introduced in a judicial proceeding it shall be publicly accessible
11 in the same manner as other judicial records

12 SECTION 3. Section 100 of chapter 276 is hereby repealed.