

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1567**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Elizabeth A. Poirier*

*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 sex selection in pregnancy.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                       | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:            | DATE ADDED:      |
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| <i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i> | <i>14th Bristol</i>          | <i>1/13/2013</i> |
| <i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>    | <i>14th Suffolk</i>          | <i>1/15/2013</i> |
| <i>John H. Rogers</i>       | <i>12th Norfolk</i>          | <i>1/15/2013</i> |
| <i>F. Jay Barrows</i>       | <i>1st Bristol</i>           | <i>1/16/2013</i> |
| <i>Peter J. Durant</i>      | <i>6th Worcester</i>         | <i>1/16/2013</i> |
| <i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>      | <i>18th Worcester</i>        | <i>2/1/2013</i>  |
| <i>Colleen M. Garry</i>     | <i>36th Middlesex</i>        | <i>1/31/2013</i> |
| <i>Donald Humason</i>       |                              | <i>2/1/2013</i>  |
| <i>Randy Hunt</i>           | <i>5th Barnstable</i>        | <i>1/18/2013</i> |
| <i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>     | <i>22nd Middlesex</i>        | <i>2/1/2013</i>  |
| <i>James J. Lyons, Jr.</i>  | <i>18th Essex</i>            | <i>1/31/2013</i> |
| <i>James R. Miceli</i>      | <i>19th Middlesex</i>        | <i>1/30/2013</i> |
| <i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>      | <i>12th Bristol</i>          | <i>2/1/2013</i>  |
| <i>James J. Dwyer</i>       | <i>30th Middlesex</i>        |                  |
| <i>Richard T. Moore</i>     | <i>Worcester and Norfolk</i> | <i>1/23/2013</i> |

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By Ms. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1567) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to prohibit abortions solely on account of the sex of the unborn child. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 484 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to sex selection in pregnancy.

*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.

2 Section 12L of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official  
3 Edition of the General Laws of Massachusetts, is hereby amended by striking the period at the  
4 end thereof and adding the following:— “provided, however, no physician shall intentionally  
5 perform such an abortion with the knowledge that the mother is seeking the abortion solely on  
6 account of the sex of the unborn child.”

7 SECTION 2.

8 Section 12M of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official  
9 Edition of the General Laws of Massachusetts, is hereby amended by striking the period at the  
10 end thereof and adding the following:— “provided, however, no physician shall intentionally  
11 perform such an abortion with the knowledge that the mother is seeking the abortion solely on  
12 account of the sex of the unborn child.”