

HOUSE No. 157

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas M. Stanley

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 resolve:

Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to the misclassification and misdiagnosis of former residents of the Fernald state school.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>

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By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 157) of Thomas M. Stanley for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the misclassification and misdiagnosis of former residents of the Fernald State School. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 79 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to the misclassification and misdiagnosis of former residents of the Fernald state school.

1 **Resolved**, That a special commission, to consist of 3 members of the senate, 3 members
2 of the house of representatives, the commissioner of mental retardation or his designee and 4
3 members to be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be a member of the Fernald League
4 is hereby establish for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative to the
5 misclassification and misdiagnosis of former residents of the Fernald State School. Said
6 investigation and study shall include, but not be limited to the extent and effect of such
7 misclassifications, reparations for the denial of education and labor performed and the providing
8 of counseling for former residents.

9 Said commission shall report to the house of representatives the results of its
10 investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation
11 necessary to carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the house
12 of representatives on or before Jan 1,2011.