

HOUSE No. 2068

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jeffrey Sánchez

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 lead abatement.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jeffrey Sánchez</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>1/31/2013</i>
<i>Carlo Basile</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/21/2013</i>

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By Mr. Sánchez of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2068) of Jeffrey Sánchez and others relative to the impact of lead exposure on children. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to lead abatement.

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. Section 191 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence in the first paragraph and
3 inserting in place thereof the following:-

4 The term “lead poisoning” shall be defined as a disease present in a child when the child
5 has a concentration of lead in whole venous blood of 10 micrograms per deciliter. The director
6 shall by regulation with the advice of the advisory committee and in accordance with sound
7 medical practice define the term “previously reported”.

8 SECTION 2. Subsection (a) of section 197C of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as
9 appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended further by striking out, in the first
10 sentence, the words “in excess of the level considered dangerous to the child’s immediate health
11 as determined by the department” and inserting in place thereof the following words:-

12 commensurate with lead poisoning as defined by this chapter

13 SECTION 3. Subsection (b) of section 197C of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as so
14 appearing, is hereby amended further by striking out, in the first sentence, the words “in excess
15 of the level considered dangerous to the child’s immediate health as determined by the
16 department” and inserting in place thereof the following words:-

17 commensurate with lead poisoning as defined by this chapter

18 SECTION 4. Subsection (a) of section 199 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as
19 appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended further by striking out, in the first

20 sentence, the words “at which the department defines lead poisoning” and inserting in place
21 thereof the following words:-

22 for lead poisoning, which is defined in section 191 of chapter 111.

23 SECTION 5. Subsection (e) of section 6 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing
24 in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in the first sentence, the words
25 “one thousand five hundred dollars” and inserting in place thereof the following words: - three
26 thousand dollars

27 SECTION 6. Subsection (e) of section 6 of said chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so
28 appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in the second sentence, the words “five hundred
29 dollars” and inserting in place thereof the following words: - one thousand dollars

30 SECTION 7. Section 5 of chapter 151B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
31 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in clause (a) of the last paragraph, the dollar
32 amount “\$10,000” and inserting in place thereof the following dollar amount: - \$20,000

33 SECTION 8. Section 5 of said chapter 151B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is
34 hereby amended by striking out, in clause (b) of the last paragraph, the dollar amount “\$25,000”
35 and inserting in place thereof the following dollar amount: - \$35,000

36 SECTION 9. Section 5 of said chapter 151B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is
37 hereby amended by striking out, in clause (c) of the last paragraph, the dollar amount “\$50,000”
38 and inserting in place thereof the following dollar amount: - \$60,000