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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 23, 2014.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Bill relative to LGBT awareness training for aging services providers (House, No. 547), reports recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor the accompanying bill (House, No. 4213).

For the committee,

BRIAN S. DEMPSEY.

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In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

An Act relative to LGBT awareness training for aging services providers.

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

SECTION 1. Section 4 of chapter 19A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (p) the following subsection:-

(q) to establish minimum training requirements for elderly service providers on the prevention and elimination of discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity and expression, as well as on improving access to services for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender elders and caregivers. The secretary, in a reasonable manner and timeframe determined by the department, shall require that such training be completed by all providers of services who contract with or receive funding from the department, or whose services are certified by the department.