

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:
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol	1/15/2015
David F. DeCoste	5th Plymouth	2/4/2015
James J. Lyons, Jr.	18th Essex	2/2/2015
Joseph D. McKenna	18th Worcester	2/4/2015
John H. Rogers	12th Norfolk	1/29/2015
Angelo M. Scaccia	14th Suffolk	1/29/2015

By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1547) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to prohibit abortions solely on account of the sex of the unborn child. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1567 OF 2013-2014.]

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

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 2012 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 2012 Official	
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- 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."