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

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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.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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:

SECTION 1.

Section 12L of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition of the General Laws of Massachusetts, is hereby amended by striking the period at the end thereof and adding the following:— "provided, however, no physician shall intentionally perform such an abortion with the knowledge that the mother is seeking the abortion solely on account of the sex of the unborn child."

SECTION 2.

Section 12M of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition of the General Laws of Massachusetts, is hereby amended by striking the period at the

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12 account of the sex of the unborn child."