

# SENATE . . . . . No. 1297

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Karen E. Spilka***

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*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 establishing an eastern Massachusetts women's county corrections facility.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Karen E. Spilka*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Second Middlesex and Norfolk*

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By Ms. Spilka, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1297) of Karen E. Spilka for legislation to establish an eastern Massachusetts women's county corrections facility. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act establishing an eastern Massachusetts women's county corrections facility.

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

1           Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there shall be established a  
2   women's regional correctional facility in Eastern Massachusetts to address the unique and  
3   specific needs of female pre-trial detainees and county offenders in Suffolk, Middlesex, Essex,  
4   Norfolk, Plymouth and Barnstable counties. This facility will provide specialized programming,  
5   access to vital medical services and shall address specific needs of incarcerated women not  
6   currently provided by the Commonwealth.