

SENATE No. 845

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Brian A. Joyce, (BY REQUEST)

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 custody of minors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Amy Weinstein

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Mr. Joyce (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 845) of Amy Weinstein for legislation relative to the custody of minors. The Judiciary.

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

An Act relative to custody of minors.

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

1 Said chapter 190B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph
2 and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

3 (a) The court may appoint as guardian any person whose appointment would be in the
4 best interest of the minor. The court shall equally consider a person nominated by the minor, if
5 the minor is 14 or more years of age, unless the court finds the appointment contrary to the best
6 interest of the minor.