

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anne M. Gobi, (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 unmarried couples.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Colby Taylor

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Ms. Gobi (by request), a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) (accompanied by bill, Senate, No.) of Colby Taylor for legislation relative to unmarried couples. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to unmarried couples.

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: Chapter 207 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by adding the following new section:—

3 Section 59. For purposes of the inheritance of benefits, pension plans, social security or
4 any other asset, an unmarried couple who live together with children or an unmarried couple
5 without children and live together for no less than 10 years, shall be entitled to the others
6 aforementioned benefits and assets upon the death of said man or woman.