

HOUSE No. 2281

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Colleen M. Garry

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 privacy and safety in public accommodations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2017</i>

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By Miss Garry of Dracut, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2281) of Colleen M. Garry relative to the definition of gender identity as it applies to lawfully segregated facilities. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1320 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to privacy and safety in public accommodations.

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. Section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out and replacing with the following clause:-

3 Fifty-ninth, The meaning of “gender identity” shall be distinct from that of “sex” and
4 “sexual orientation.” Access to lawfully sex-segregated facilities, accommodations, resorts, and
5 amusements, as well as educational, athletic, and therapeutic activities and programs, shall be
6 controlled by an individual’s anatomical sex of male or female, regardless of that individual’s
7 gender identity.