

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4792

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 23, 2018.

The committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 78) of Nicholas A. Boldyga and Donald F. Humason, Jr., relative to reporting requirements of public benefit recipients; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 79) of Nicholas A. Boldyga and Donald F. Humason, Jr., relative to requiring drug tests to screen individuals who apply for transitional assistance; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 90) of Colleen M. Garry and Keiko M. Orrall relative to establishing paternity and establishing uniform procedures for providing information to mothers and certain fathers regarding the benefits and responsibilities of parentage; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 93) of Danielle W. Gregoire and others for legislation to prohibit the use of procedures which cause physical pain or deny a reasonable humane existence to persons with disabilities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 95) of Steven S. Howitt, Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr., and Sheila C. Harrington relative to at-risk children and their proper placement; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 102) of Marc T. Lombardo and others for legislation to require proof of residency for public benefits; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 103) of Marc T. Lombardo and others relative to eligibility for certain entitlement programs; the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 105) of Shaunna L. O'Connell, Ryan C. Fattman and others relative to strengthening public assistance programs; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 106) of Shaunna L. O'Connell, Geoff Diehl and others relative to the use of direct cash

assistance funds held on an electronic benefit transfer card or access device in a state other than the Commonwealth or a bordering state; the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 108) of Shaunna L. O'Connell, Ryan C. Fattman and others relative to the immigration status of persons applying for assistance from the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 110) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others relative to continuously monitoring the entrances, exits and common areas of all facilities operated under the authority of the Department of Mental Health and the Department of Developmental Services; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 111) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and Mathew Muratore relative to the licensure and regulation of au pair and nanny agencies by the Office of Child Care Services; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1961) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and others relative to the suspension of benefits by the Department of Transitional Assistance for persons convicted of certain crimes against the person; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1964) of James J. Lyons, Jr., and Shaunna L. O'Connell for an investigation by an independent commission (including members of the General Court) on a certain case before the Department of Children and Families regarding Justina Pelletier; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1965) of James J. Lyons, Jr., and David F. DeCoste relative to residency verification for persons seeking certain benefits from the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1966) of James J. Lyons, Jr., that public benefits only be received by individuals who are residents of the Commonwealth and have proper verifiable documents or identification from their country of origin; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3802) of Casandra Xavier relative to disability awareness training for certain state employees, reports recommending the accompanying order (House, No. 4792) ought to be adopted. [Representative O'Connell of Taunton dissents].

For the committee,

KAY KHAN

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**



*House of Representatives, July 23, 2018*

1           *Ordered,* That the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities be  
2 authorized to sit during a recess of the General Court to make an investigation and study of  
3 House documents numbered 78, 79, 90, 93, 95, 102, 103, 105, 106, 108, 110, 111, 1961, 1964,  
4 1965, 1966 and 3802, relative to children, families, and persons with disabilities.

5           Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study  
6 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such  
7 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives  
8 on or before December 31, 2018.