

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1982**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*James J. O'Day*

*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 regarding pediatric palliative care.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>1/18/2019</i>

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By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1982) of James J. O'Day relative to pediatric palliative care program eligibility. Public Health.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act regarding pediatric palliative care.

*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 24K of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the words “subject to  
3 appropriation”.

4           SECTION 2: Section 24K of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
5 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the last paragraph and inserting in place  
6 thereof the following sentences:- All eligible children shall have access to these services. The  
7 department shall report caseload information and spending projections quarterly to the House  
8 and Senate Ways and Means Committees.