

HOUSE No. 3468

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

RoseLee Vincent

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 to enact Patricia and Francesca's Law relative to the family medical history of adopted children.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

RoseLee Vincent

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

16th Suffolk

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By Ms. Vincent of Revere, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3468) of RoseLee Vincent relative to written consent by biological parents for certain adoptions. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE DOCKET, NO. 4223 OF 2017-2018.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act to enact Patricia and Francesca's Law relative to the family medical history of adopted children.

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

1 Chapter 210 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 2 the
2 following section:-

3 Section 2 ½. No biological parent may provide written consent for adoption required by
4 section 2 unless said parent, to the best of their knowledge, provides an anonymous family
5 medical history, which shall include, but not be limited to: (i) any known genetic predispositions
6 and health conditions of said parent and (ii) any known genetic predispositions and health
7 conditions of said parent’s relatives within 2 degrees of consanguinity.