

HOUSE No. 2412

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Susannah M. Whipps, (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 to improve next of kin access to deceased medical records.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Robert Steele</i>		<i>2/9/2021</i>
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	<i>5/4/2021</i>

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By Ms. Whipps of Athol (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2412) of Robert Steele for legislation to improve next of kin access to deceased medical records. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act to improve next of kin access to deceased medical records.

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 70 of Chapter 111 of General Laws, is hereby amended by inserting after
- 2 "executer or administrator", the following words: - A death certificate may also be provided
- 3 which list the requestor as the next of kin.