

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4909

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 11, 2022.

The committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, to whom were referred the petitions the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 185) of Christine P. Barber that the Executive Office of Health and Human Services evaluate the impact of governmental services on children and families; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 192) of Bill Trabucco relative to certain foster children being provided smart phones to assure additional oversight and protection; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 195) of Gerard J. Cassidy for legislation to provide insurance coverage for vision screening for children; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 197) of Mark J. Cusack and Nick Collins for legislation to support the transition to adult services for persons with disabilities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 198) of Jeffery Calnan for legislation to promote employment for people with disabilities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 207) of Daniel M. Donahue, Michael O. Moore and David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf that the Department of Transitional Assistance establish a restaurant meals program as part of the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 220) of Sean Garballey for legislation to establish an interagency child welfare task force; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 230) of Steven S. Howitt and others relative to at-risk children and their proper placement and establishing a special commission (including members of the General Court) to make an investigation of such placements; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 241) of John J. Lawn, Jr., and others relative to the prevention of child sexual abuse in schools and youth organizations; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 247) of Adrian C. Madaro relative to establishing a stakeholders' committee (including members of the General Court) on family first prevention services and racial equity; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 251) of Joseph D. McKenna and David F. DeCoste relative to sexual orientation and gender identity change counseling; the petition

(accompanied by bill, House, No. 254) of Joan Meschino and Vanna Howard for legislation relative to the placement of foster children with their siblings; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 255) of Joan Meschino relative to the long-term well-being consideration of a child's racial, ethnic, cultural, religious, and linguistic identity; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 267) of Jon Santiago and others relative to human service coordinator caseload ratios established by the Department of Developmental Services; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 274) of Chynah Tyler and Bud L. Williams relative to preventing funds deposited in children's savings accounts from counting against cash assistance benefits; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 275) of Steven Ultrino and others relative to establishing a special commission (including members of the General Court) to investigate two-generation approaches to childhood education; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 277) of Steven G. Xiarhos, Timothy R. Whelan and others for legislation to further regulate the sharing of certain police reports by investigators of the Department of Children and Families; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 278) of Steven G. Xiarhos and others relative to establishing a low vision registry; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 279) of Steven G. Xiarhos and others relative to Department of Transitional Assistance benefits during a declared state of emergency; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3778) of Joan Meschino for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to ending family, child, and individual homelessness; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3953) of Tami L. Gouveia, Liz Miranda and Nika C. Elugardo relative to promoting resilience and community healing to mitigate adverse childhood and community experiences, reports the accompanying Order (House, No. 4909) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

MICHAEL J. FINN.

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*House of Representatives,*

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 185, 192, 195, 197, 198, 207, 220, 230, 241, 247, 251, 254, 255,  
4 267, 274, 275, 277, 278, 279, 3778 and 3953, relative to children, families, and persons with  
5 disabilities matters.

6           Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study  
7 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such  
8 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives  
9 on or before December 31, 2022.