

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1604**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Kay Khan*

*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 addressing investigations of reports of abuse and neglect.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2023</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>7/7/2023</i>

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By Representative Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1604) of Kay Khan relative to investigations of reports of abuse and neglect. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1716 OF 2021-2022.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**

An Act addressing investigations of reports of abuse and neglect.

*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 42 of Chapter 19A, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition of the  
2 General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out the following phrase from line 52: -

3 “During any investigation or evaluation reported under section 18”

4 SECTION 2. Section 14 of Chapter 19C, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition of the  
5 General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out the following phrase from line 1: -

6 “During any investigation or evaluation reported under section 5”

7 SECTION 3. Section 85 of Chapter 119, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition of the  
8 General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out the following phrase from line 1: -

9 “During any investigation or evaluation reported under section 51A”