

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

SENATE, February 8, 2024.

The committee on Elder Affairs, to whom was referred the petitions (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 368) of James B. Eldridge for legislation relative to emergency lighting in senior housing; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 369) of Barry R. Finegold, Mathew J. Muratore, David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf, David Paul Linsky and other members of the General Court for legislation to ensure senior care organization quality and accountability; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 377) of Patricia D. Jehlen, Mark C. Montigny and James B. Eldridge for legislation relative to transparency and accountability in nursing homes; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 382) of Edward J. Kennedy for legislation relative to complex care needs for seniors; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 387) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to protect the rights of assisted living residents; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 389) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to provide for certification of skilled nursing facility medical directors; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 390) of Mark C. Montigny, Paul A. Schmid, III, Christopher Hendricks and James B. Eldridge for legislation for the promulgation of regulations to ensure resident safety within assisted living facilities; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 391) of Mark C. Montigny, Jack Patrick Lewis, Paul A. Schmid, III, Patricia D. Jehlen and others for legislation to provide transparency and accountability of nursing home ownership; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 392) of Mark C. Montigny, Paul A. Schmid, III and Christopher Hendricks for legislation to prevent patient abuse and death in nursing homes; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 394) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to establish safe staffing levels at skilled nursing facilities; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 395) of Michael O. Moore, Mathew J. Muratore, Patrick M. O'Connor and Anne M. Gobi for legislation directing the secretary of health and human services to promulgate regulations that provide for rate adjustments and reimbursements for residential care homes or rest homes; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 396) of Jacob R. Oliveira, Josh S. Cutler, Brian M. Ashe, Patrick M. O'Connor and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish the office of elder advocate; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 397) of Pavel M. Payano, Joanne M. Comerford, Jack Patrick Lewis, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation to improve infection control in Massachusetts home care; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 399) of Rebecca L. Rausch for legislation to

protect the rights of older adults and people with disabilities; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 402) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to family visitation with a vulnerable adult; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 403) of Bruce E. Tarr and James B. Eldridge for legislation to improve resilience in older adults and people with disabilities during public health, environmental or technological emergencies; and (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 404) of Walter F. Timilty for legislation relative to food stamp enrollment for seniors, report the accompanying Order (Senate, No. 2624).

For the committee,
Patricia D. Jehlen

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Elder Affairs be authorized and directed to make an
2 investigation and study of certain current Senate documents numbered 368, 369, 377, 382, 387,
3 389, 390, 391, 392, 394, 395, 396, 397, 399, 402, 403, and 404 relative to elder care issues.