

HOUSE No. 1545

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jay D. Livingstone, (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 relative to childless individuals with chronic disabilities experiencing homelessness.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>KC Linardon</i>		<i>1/16/2025</i>
<i>Samantha Montaño</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/4/2025</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/28/2025</i>
<i>John Francis Moran</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>	<i>6/11/2025</i>

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By Representative Livingstone of Boston (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1545) of KC Linardon , Samantha Montañó and Patrick Joseph Kearney relative to childless individuals with chronic disabilities experiencing homelessness. Housing.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to childless individuals with chronic disabilities experiencing homelessness.

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 30 of chapter 23B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words "no other children" in line 3 the
3 following words:-

4 "and individuals with disabilities as defined by chapter 179 of the acts of 1995 who
5 require home care, caretaker services, and constant stay and housing, and the elderly".

6 SECTION 2. Section 30 of chapter 23B is further amended after subsection (F) by adding
7 the following subsection:-

8 "(G) The department shall provide shelter in the form of a hotel or motel to an individual
9 with a disability as defined by chapter 179 of the acts of 1995 who requires home care, caretaker
10 services, and constant stay and housing and who requires a reasonable accommodation which
11 cannot be provided at overnight shelters."