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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Sean Garballey and Mindy Domb

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 relating to public access to historical records.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Sean Garballey	*23rd Middlesex*	*1/16/2025*
Mindy Domb	*3rd Hampshire*	*1/16/2025*
Paul J. Donato	*35th Middlesex*	*2/3/2025*
Antonio F. D. Cabral	*13th Bristol*	*2/13/2025*
Sally P. Kerans	*13th Essex*	*3/6/2025*
Christine P. Barber	*34th Middlesex*	*3/7/2025*
Kip A. Diggs	*2nd Barnstable*	*3/7/2025*
Thomas M. Stanley	*9th Middlesex*	*6/3/2025*
Simon Cataldo	*14th Middlesex*	*9/2/2025*

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By Representatives Garballey of Arlington and Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3335) of Sean Garballey, Mindy Domb and others for legislation to further regulate public access to historical records for certain persons with disabilities. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relating to public access to historical records.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 7 of Chapter 66 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereto the following sentence: All records in the custody of the state secretary accessioned from state institutions for people with intellectual or developmental disabilities or mental health conditions in the commonwealth shall be open to public inspection and available for copying after the expiration of seventy-five years from creation of the record.