

HOUSE No. 4025

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John Barrett, III

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 the organization of EOHHS.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>John Barrett, III</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>	<i>1/9/2025</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>3/26/2025</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>	<i>3/26/2025</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>3/31/2025</i>
<i>Margaret R. Scarsdale</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>4/2/2025</i>
<i>Priscila S. Sousa</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/11/2025</i>

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By Representative Barrett of North Adams, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4025) of John Barrett, III and others for legislation to establish a special commission to study the effectiveness of the executive office of health and human services. Public Health.

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

An Act relative to the organization of EOHHS.

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. (a) There shall be a special commission to study the effectiveness of the
2 executive office of health and human services. The commission shall evaluate the current
3 number of employees in the executive office, the administrative structure of the executive office
4 and the executive office's effectiveness in fulfilling its legislative mandate. The commission
5 shall consider the feasibility and potential effectiveness of alternative organizational
6 configurations for the executive office, including the possibility of dividing the executive office
7 into smaller subagencies.

8 (b) The commission shall consist of 11 members: the secretary of health and human
9 services, 1 member to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; 1 member to
10 be appointed by the senate president; and 8 to be appointed by the governor, 3 of whom shall
11 have experience with public health administration, 3 of whom shall have experience in private

12 healthcare administration and 2 of whom shall have work experience with the administration of
13 social services.

14 SECTION 2. Not later than October 1, 2026, the commission shall file a report of its
15 findings, including any legislative or regulatory recommendations, with the clerks of the house
16 of representatives and the senate, the joint committee on health care financing and the joint
17 committee on public health.