

SENATE No. 1705

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia D. Jehlen

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 concerning the Massachusetts Probation Service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Patricia D. Jehlen

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Middlesex

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By Ms. Jehlen, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1705) of Patricia D. Jehlen for legislation relative to the Massachusetts Probation Service. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1532 OF 2023-2024.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act concerning the Massachusetts Probation Service.

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 168A of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 21, the words “departments of
3 probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service,
4 the departments of.

5 SECTION 2. Section 172 of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
6 striking out, in lines 236-237, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting
7 in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

8 SECTION 3. Section 175 of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
9 striking out, in lines 12-13, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting in
10 place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

11 SECTION 4. Section 175 of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by
12 striking out, in line 14, the words “such commissioner” and inserting in place thereof the
13 following words:- the Massachusetts Probation Service.

14 SECTION 5. Section 178K of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
15 striking out, in line 118, the words “department of probation” and inserting in place thereof the
16 following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

17 SECTION 6. Section 178K of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
18 by striking out, in line 277, the words “department of probation” and inserting in place thereof
19 the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

20 SECTION 7. Section 178K of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
21 by striking out, in line 288, the words “department of probation” and inserting in place thereof
22 the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

23 SECTION 8. Section 18N of chapter 6A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
24 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 29-30, the words “office of
25 probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

26 SECTION 9. Section 21 of chapter 22 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
27 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the words “office of probation” and
28 inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

29 SECTION 10. Section 21 of said chapter 22, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
30 by striking out, in line 18, the words “office of probation” and inserting in place thereof the
31 following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

32 SECTION 11. Section 5 of chapter 27 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
33 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 31, the words “board of probation”
34 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

35 SECTION 12. Section 45 of chapter 30 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
36 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 12, the words “commissioner of
37 probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

38 SECTION 13. Section 45 of said chapter 30, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
39 by striking out, in lines 163-164, the words “commissioner of probation” and inserting in place
40 thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

41 SECTION 14. Section 45 of said chapter 30, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
42 by striking out, in lines 213-214, the words “commissioner of probation” and inserting in place
43 thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

44 SECTION 15. Section 76 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
45 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 9, the words “office of” and inserting
46 in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

47 SECTION 16. Section 76A of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
48 striking out, in line 6, the words “office of” and inserting in place thereof the following words:-
49 Massachusetts Probation Service.

50 SECTION 17. Section 24 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
51 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 234-235, the words “probation
52 department” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation
53 Service.

54 SECTION 18. Section 24 of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
55 by striking out, in line 468, the words “the department”.

56 SECTION 19. Section 61 of said chapter 90, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
57 striking out, in line 53, the words “department of probation” and inserting in place thereof the
58 following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

59 SECTION 20. Section 34 of chapter 94C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
60 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 45, the words “department of
61 probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

62 SECTION 21. Section 34 of said chapter 94C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
63 by striking out, in line 49, the words “department of probation” and inserting in place thereof the
64 following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

65 SECTION 22. Section 129B of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the
66 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 155-156, the words
67 “department of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
68 Probation Service.

69 SECTION 23. Section 5B of chapter 119A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
70 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 41-42, the words “office of the

71 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
72 Probation Service.

73 SECTION 24. Section 131 of said chapter 140, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
74 striking out, in lines 288-289, the words “department of probation” and inserting in place thereof
75 the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

76 SECTION 25. Section 131 of said chapter 140, as so appearing, is hereby further
77 amended by striking out, in lines 304-305, the words “department of probation” and inserting in
78 place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

79 SECTION 26. Section 34D of chapter 208 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
80 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 18-19, the words “office of the
81 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
82 Probation Service.

83 SECTION 27. Section 32 of chapter 209 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
84 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 36, the words “office of the
85 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
86 Probation Service.

87 SECTION 28. Section 5A of chapter 209A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
88 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 14, the words “office of the
89 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
90 Probation Service.

91 SECTION 29. Section 7 of said chapter 209A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
92 striking out, in line 137, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting in
93 place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

94 SECTION 30. Section 7 of said chapter 209A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
95 by striking out, in lines 118-119, the words “department of probation” and inserting in place
96 thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

97 SECTION 31. Section 15 of chapter 209C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
98 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 36, the words “office of the
99 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
100 Probation Service.

101 SECTION 32. Section 2A of chapter 211D of the General Laws, as appearing in the
102 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 36, the words “office of the
103 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
104 Probation Service.

105 SECTION 33. Section 2 of chapter 211F of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
106 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the words “office of the
107 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
108 Probation Service.

109 SECTION 34. Section 35A of chapter 218 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
110 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 18, the words “office of the
111 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
112 Probation Service.

113 SECTION 35. Section 9 of chapter 258E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
114 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 22-23, the words “office of the
115 commissioner of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts
116 Probation Service.

117 SECTION 36. Section 13B ³/₄ of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the
118 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 27, the words “of the
119 department”.

120 SECTION 37. Section 22C of said chapter 265, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
121 striking out, in line 29, the words “of the department”.

122 SECTION 38. Section 23B of said chapter 265, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
123 striking out, in line 26, the words “of the department”.

124 SECTION 39. Section 52 of said chapter 265, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
125 striking out, in line 16, the words “of the department”.

126 SECTION 40. The title of chapter 276 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
127 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out “Board of Probation” and inserting in place
128 thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

129 SECTION 41. Section 42 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
130 striking out, in line 25, the words “board of”.

131 SECTION 42. Section 57 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
132 striking out, in line 45, the words “board of”.

133 SECTION 43. Section 58 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
134 striking out, in line 67, the words “board of”.

135 SECTION 44. Section 83 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
136 striking out, in line 2, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting in place
137 thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

138 SECTION 45. Section 83 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
139 by striking out, in line 14, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting in
140 place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

141 SECTION 46. Section 83 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
142 by striking out, in lines 59-60, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting
143 in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

144 SECTION 47. Section 83 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
145 by striking out, in lines 70-71, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting
146 in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

147 SECTION 48. Section 98 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
148 striking out, in the section heading, the words “office of probation” and inserting in place thereof
149 the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

150 SECTION 49. Section 98 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
151 by striking out, in line 1, the words “an office of probation” and inserting in place thereof the
152 following words:- the Massachusetts Probation Service.

153 SECTION 50. Section 98 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
154 by striking out, in line 11, the words “office of probation” and inserting in place thereof the
155 following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

156 SECTION 51. Section 98 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
157 by striking out, in line 12, the words “office of probation” and inserting in place thereof the
158 following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

159 SECTION 52. Section 98A of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
160 striking out, in line 3, the words “office of probation” and inserting in place thereof the following
161 words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

162 SECTION 53. Section 98A of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby further
163 amended by striking out, in lines 27-28, the words “office of probation” and inserting in place
164 thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

165 SECTION 54. Section 99 of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
166 striking out, in line 2, the words “probation service” and inserting in place thereof the following
167 words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

168 SECTION 55. Section 99F of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
169 striking out, in the section heading, the words “office of probation” and inserting in place thereof
170 the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

171 SECTION 56. Section 99F of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby further
172 amended by striking out, in line 2, the words “office of probation” and inserting in place thereof
173 the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

174 SECTION 57. Section 100A of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
175 striking out, in lines 2-3, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting in
176 place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

177 SECTION 58. Section 100B of said chapter 276, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
178 striking out, in lines 2-3, the words “office of the commissioner of probation” and inserting in
179 place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

180 SECTION 59. Section 8 of chapter 276A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
181 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words “office of the
182 commissioner” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation
183 Service.

184 SECTION 60. Section 8 of said chapter 276A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
185 by striking out, in lines 5-6, the words “office of the commissioner” and inserting in place
186 thereof the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.

187 SECTION 61. Section 9 of said chapter 276A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
188 striking out, in lines 1-2, the words “office of the commissioner” and inserting in place thereof
189 the following words:- Massachusetts Probation Service.