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HOUSE . . . . . No. 515

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ellen Story and Byron Rushing

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act updating the laws to protect women's health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Ellen Story	*3rd Hampshire*
Byron Rushing	*9th Suffolk*
Denise Provost	*27th Middlesex*
Gailanne M. Cariddi	*1st Berkshire*
Alice K. Wolf	*25th Middlesex*
Denise Andrews	*2nd Franklin*
Benjamin Swan	*11th Hampden*
David M. Torrisi	*14th Essex*
Susan C. Fargo	☐ *[District]* ☐
Sarah K. Peake	*4th Barnstable*
James J. O'Day	*14th Worcester*
Carolyn C. Dykema	*8th Middlesex*
Denise C. Garlick	*13th Norfolk*
Louis L. Kafka	*8th Norfolk*
Elizabeth A. Malia	*11th Suffolk*
Christine E. Canavan	*10th Plymouth*

Stephen Kulik	*1st Franklin*
George T. Ross	*2nd Bristol*
Jay R. Kaufman	*15th Middlesex*
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	*34th Middlesex*
Frank I. Smizik	*15th Norfolk*
Jason M. Lewis	*31st Middlesex*
Kay Khan	*11th Middlesex*
David Paul Linsky	*5th Middlesex*
Jennifer E. Benson	*37th Middlesex*
Lori A. Ehrlich	*8th Essex*
Anne M. Gobi	*5th Worcester*
Ruth B. Balser	*12th Middlesex*
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	*20th Middlesex*
Thomas P. Conroy	*13th Middlesex*
Cory Atkins	*14th Middlesex*
Peter V. Kocot	*1st Hampshire*
Michael J. Moran	*18th Suffolk*
Paul W. Mark	*2nd Berkshire*
Aaron Michlewitz	*3rd Suffolk*
John W. Scibak	*2nd Hampshire*
Martha M. Walz	*8th Suffolk*
Paul Brodeur	*32nd Middlesex*
Ann-Margaret Ferrante	*5th Essex*
William N. Brownsberger	☐ *[District]* ☐
Jonathan Hecht	*29th Middlesex*
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	*10th Hampden*
James B. Eldridge	☐ *[District]* ☐
Cleon H. Turner	*1st Barnstable*
John D. Keenan	*7th Essex*

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By Representatives Story of Amherst and Rushing of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 515) of Ellen Story and others for legislation to further regulate the performance of abortions and protecting women's reproductive health. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

An Act updating the laws to protect women's health.

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

SECTION 1. Section 12Q of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: -

Except in an emergency requiring immediate action, no abortion may be performed under section 12L or 12M unless the written consent of the proper person has been delivered to the physician performing the abortion as set forth in section 12S.

SECTION 2. Section 19 of chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Section 20 of said chapter 272 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Section 21 of said chapter 272 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. Section 21A of chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in lines 2, 4 and 8 the word "married".