

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 251**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Joseph D. McKenna***

*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 to allow freedom in counseling.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>

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By Mr. McKenna of Webster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 251) of Joseph D. McKenna and David F. DeCoste relative to sexual orientation and gender identity change counseling. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act to allow freedom in counseling.

*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 275(a) of Chapter 112 of the most recent official version is hereby  
2 amended in line 18 by removing the word “or”, and further in line 19 by adding after the word  
3 “practices” the following new sub-section:

4           “; or (D) utilize discussion alone;”