

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2816**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Jonathan Hecht*

*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 bill:

An Act requiring a comparable site for individuals using the fernald pool.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Jonathan Hecht*

*29th Middlesex*

*John J. Lawn, Jr.*

*10th Middlesex*

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By Mr. Hecht of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2816) of Jonathan Hecht and John J. Lawn, Jr. for legislation to require a comparable site for individuals using the fernald pool. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
SENATE  
, NO. 1638 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**

An Act requiring a comparable site for individuals using the fernald pool.

*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. As used in this chapter the following words shall, have the following  
2 meanings, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:—

3 “comparable site” a site which maintains therapeutic pool qualities, including but not  
4 limited to maintaining a pool temperature of 90-94 degrees, providing proper chair lifts and  
5 ramps, and the presence of qualified staff trained in water safety, lifeguarding and specialized  
6 aquatic exercise.

7 Section 2. Notwithstanding any other general or special law or rule or regulation to the  
8 contrary, the division of capital asset management shall not close the pool facilities located at the  
9 Walter E. Fernald Developmental Center, 200 Trapelo Road, Waltham, until a comparable site  
10 has been arranged for individuals from the community who use the pool.