

HOUSE No. 3798

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James H. Fagan

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:

Resolve providing for a study by the Executive Office of Health and Human Services relative to nonprofit group homes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James H. Fagan	3rd Bristol
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR A STUDY BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RELATIVE TO NONPROFIT GROUP HOMES.

1 ~~Resolved~~, The executive office of health and human services is hereby authorized and directed to
2 conduct a study relative to the feasibility of establishing a fairness rule which would provide for
3 a more equitable distribution of nonprofit group homes throughout the commonwealth. Such
4 study shall include, but not be limited to, a review of the number and location of such group
5 homes currently in use, an analysis of the ratio of such existing group homes to population for
6 each municipality, and an analysis of the neighborhoods in which such group homes currently in
7 use are located in terms of economic factors. Such study shall consider the feasibility of
8 establishing a formula or guidelines to ensure an equitable distribution of such group homes in
9 municipalities based upon population and upon economic composition of the neighborhood. Said
10 department shall report to the general court the results of its study, and its recommendations into
11 effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the House of Representatives on or before July 1,
12 2010.