

HOUSE No. 00484

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth Poirier

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 relative to sex selection in pregnancy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Elizabeth Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Joyce A. Spiliotis</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>George Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>Marc Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>James Lyons, Jr.</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>
<i>Richard Bastien</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>
<i>Sheila Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven L. Levy</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Elizabeth Poirier of North Attleborough, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00484) of Joyce A. Spiliotis and others for legislation to prohibit abortions solely on account of the sex of the unborn child. Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to sex selection in pregnancy.

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.

2 Section 12L of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition of the
3 General Laws of Massachusetts, is hereby amended by striking the period at the end thereof and
4 adding the following:— “provided, however, no physician shall intentionally perform such an
5 abortion with the knowledge that the mother is seeking the abortion solely on account of the sex
6 of the unborn child.”

7 SECTION 2.

8 Section 12M of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition of
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12 of the unborn child.”