

HOUSE No. 576

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carolyn C. Dykema, (BY REQUEST)

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 clarity in census disclosure.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Carolyn C. Dykema

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By Ms. Dykema of Holliston (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 576) of Carolyn C. Dykema and Howard Sabasowitz relative to information printed on census forms. Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
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□ , NO. 2730 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to clarity in census disclosure.

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 4 of chapter 51 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2008
2 Official Edition is hereby amended by striking subsection c.

3 SECTION 2: Said section 4 is further amended by inserting the following subsection:-

4 “(f) The communication described in this section shall not include any reference to an
5 individual’s right to vote or to political party registration or to the Commonwealth’s Voter
6 Registration Information System (VRIS). The communication shall notify residents that the
7 information, excluding Veterans status, shall be part of the public record and that persons
8 meeting conditions described in subsections d and e of this section can remove their information
9 from that record, and shall provide the contact information to do so.”