

HOUSE No. 00603

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James R. Miceli

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 birth records.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

James R. Miceli

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

19th Middlesex

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By Mr. James R. Miceli of Wilmington, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00603) of James R. Miceli relative to birth records. Joint Committee on Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to birth records.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 262 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 34 the following
- 2 section:-
- 3 Section 34B. the following persons may obtain a copy of birth records under section 34.
- 4 The registrant, (a person listed on the certificate) or a parent or legal guardian.
- 5 A party entitled to receive the record as the result of a court order.
- 6 A member of a law enforcement agency or a representative of another governmental agency as
- 7 provided by law.
- 8 A child, grandchild, brother, sister, spouse or domestic partner of the registrant.
- 9 An attorney representing the registrant or his estate or a person or agency empowered by law or
- 10 appointed by a court to act on behalf of the registrant or his estate.

- 11 An agent or employee of a funeral establishment who acts within the course of his employment
- 12 to obtain copies of birth records on behalf of the above persons.
- 13 A person obtaining a copy of birth record shall be required to present a valid photo I.D. except
- 14 the registrant. The city or town clerk shall maintain of record of the same.