SENATE No. 156

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia D. Jehlen

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act protecting the rights of assisted living residents.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex	
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden	1/29/2019
William N. Brownsberger	Second Suffolk and Middlesex	1/29/2019
Bradford Hill	4th Essex	1/30/2019
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	1/30/2019
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	1/31/2019
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Julian Cyr	Cape and Islands	2/4/2019
Maria Duaime Robinson	6th Middlesex	2/7/2019
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk	2/11/2019

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By Ms. Jehlen, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 156) of Patricia D. Jehlen, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., William N. Brownsberger, Bradford Hill and other members of the General Court for legislation to protect the rights of assisted living residents. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act protecting the rights of assisted living residents.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 14 of chapter 19D of the general laws is hereby amended by adding
- 2 after the words, "sponsor's covenant to comply with applicable federal and state laws", in line
- 3 12, the following:-
- 4 "including chapters 186 and 239 of the general laws"
- 5 SECTION 2. Section 14 of chapter 19D is hereby further amended by inserting at the
- 6 end thereof the following:-
- 7 "The attorney general shall promulgate regulations pursuant to section 2(c) of chapter
- 8 93A of the general laws to protect the consumer rights of residents of assisted living residences,
- 9 including all assisted living residences operated by facilities providing continuing care as defined
- by section 76 of chapter 93, against unfair deceptive acts or practices and to provide that the

- violation of such regulations as well as the regulations pursuant to chapter 19 shall be considered a violation of said chapter 93A of the general laws."
- SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the attorney general shall promulgate regulations pursuant to Section 2 of this act, no later than one year following the passage of this act.