

SENATE No. 929

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 relative to the appropriate use of public funds.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Bruce E. Tarr

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex and Middlesex

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 929) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to the appropriate use of public funds. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 813 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to the appropriate use of public funds.

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. Chapter 29 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following additional section:-

3 “Section 72. Services Provided by the Department of Corrections and Municipal Jails

4 No public funds shall be expended for the purpose of sex reassignment surgery for any
5 person in the custody of any jail or prison in the commonwealth.

6 No public funds shall be expended for the purpose of laser hair removal for any person in
7 the custody of any jail or prison in the commonwealth.

8 No public funds shall be expended for the purpose of hormone replacement therapy for
9 any person in the custody of any jail or prison in the commonwealth except for a use, prescribed
10 by a physician, other than preparation for sex reassignment surgery.

11 If any provision of this chapter or the application thereof to any person or circumstances
12 is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of the chapter
13 which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the
14 provisions of this chapter are declared to be severable.”