

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James H. Fagan

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 time lines for social workers in the department of social services.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 89 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO TIME LINES FOR SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL SERVICES.

*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 18B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended by inserting after the words “subject to appropriation” in line 1, the following words:— and the availability
3 of sufficient staff.
- 4 SECTION 2. Subsection (1) of section 51B of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended
5 by striking the words “ten calendar days for all other such reports” and inserting in place thereof the following
6 words:— fifteen working days for all such reports, provided sufficient investigatory staff are available.