

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter J. Koutoujian

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 realtive to publicly funded beds. .

PETITION OF:

NAME: Peter J. Koutoujian	DISTRICT/ADDRESS: 10th Middlesex
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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2150 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT REALTIVE TO PUBLICLY FUNDED BEDS. .

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

1 SECT ION 1. Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 220 the following section:-

3 Section 221. The Department of Public Health shall hold a public hearing before the removal of
4 any publicly funded bed. Furthermore, this hearing must take place sixty days before the
5 proposed removal of said bed with notification provided to appropriate outlets. This hearing of
6 the department may be held by the commissioner, or his designee or the hearings officer if so
7 authorized by the commissioner and must be open to the public.