

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

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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 the elimination of racial and ethnic health disparities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2161 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL AND ETHNIC HEALTH DISPARITIES.

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. The executive office of health and human services shall evaluate the
2 impact of the social determinants of health, including but not limited to employment, education,
3 health care, housing, recreation, financial lending, racism and discrimination. Based on this
4 evaluation EOHHS shall direct its agencies to promulgate regulations reduce the impact of these
5 determinants on racial and ethnic health and health care disparities.

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