

**HOUSE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Elizabeth Poirier**

*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 reprogrammed human skin cells for embryonic stem cell research.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

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DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

14th Bristol

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine  
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## AN ACT RELATIVE TO REPROGRAMMED HUMAN SKIN CELLS FOR EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH.

*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 \_\_\_\_\_. Subsection (a) of section 3 of chapter 111L of the General Laws, as added by chapter 27 of  
2 the acts of 2005, is hereby amended, in line 2, by striking out the words, "embryonic stem" and inserting  
3 in place thereof the following word:-- skin.
- 4 Section \_\_\_\_\_. Subsection (b) of section 3 of chapter 111L of the General Laws, as added by chapter 27 of  
5 the acts of 2005, is hereby amended, in line 1, by striking out the words, "embryonic stem" and inserting  
6 in place thereof the following word:-- skin.
- 7 Section \_\_\_\_\_. Subsection (b) of section 8 of chapter 111L of the General Laws, as added by chapter 27 of  
8 the acts of 2005, is hereby amended, in line 8, by striking out the words, "Nothing in".
- 9 Section \_\_\_\_\_. Subsection (c) of section 8 of chapter 111L of the General Laws, as added by chapter 27 of  
10 the acts of 2005, is hereby amended, in lines 15-16, by striking out the words, "or from donating their  
11 gametes for research."
- 12 Section \_\_\_\_\_. Section 10 of chapter 111L of the General Laws, as added by chapter 27 of the acts of 2005,  
13 is hereby amended by striking out subsection (f) in its entirety.

14 Section \_\_\_\_ . Subsection (a) I of section 12J of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as most recently  
15 amended by section 2 of chapter 27 of the acts of 2005, is hereby further amended by striking out the  
16 following paragraph:-

17 For the purposes of this section, "fetus" shall include a neonate and an embryo, but shall exclude a pre-  
18 implantation embryo or parthenote as defined in section 2 of chapter 111L and obtained in accordance  
19 with said chapter 111L.

20 Section \_\_\_\_ . Said section 12J of said chapter 112, as so most recently amended, is hereby further  
21 amended by striking out after the word "neonate", in line 38, the following words:- , but shall exclude a  
22 pre-implantation embryo or parthenote as defined in section 2 of chapter 111L and obtained in  
23 accordance with said chapter 111L.

24 Section \_\_\_\_ . Section 12K of said chapter 112, as most recently amended by section 8 of chapter 27 of  
25 the acts of 2005, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 15, the words "implantation of the  
26 embryo in the uterus" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- fertilization.

27 Section \_\_\_\_ . Section 7 of chapter 113 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 9 of  
28 chapter 27 of the acts of 2005, is hereby further amended by striking out, in the definition of "Part," the  
29 following words:- "but a gamete, as defined in section 2 of chapter 111L, shall be donated in accordance  
30 with said chapter 111L."

31 Section \_\_\_\_ . Said section 27 of the acts of 2005 is hereby amended by striking out section 12 in its  
32 entirety.