

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Joyce A. Spiliotis**

*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 Providing for a Long Term Care Ombudsman in Hospitals.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Joyce A. Spiliotis

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

12th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2256 OF 2007-2008.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine  
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### AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A LONG TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN IN HOSPITALS.

*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 27 of chapter 19A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of “long term care facility” the  
3 following definition:—

4 “Hospital” an institution as defined in section 52 of chapter 111.

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6           SECTION 2. Section 28 of said chapter 19A, as appearing, is  
7 hereby amended by inserting after the word “facilities” in lines 3, 4 and  
8 5 the words:— or hospital, in each instance.

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10          SECTION 3. Section 29 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,  
11 is hereby amended by inserting after the word “facility” in line 8 the  
12 words:— or hospital.

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14          SECTION 4. Section 30 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,

15 is hereby amended by inserting after word “facilities” in line 3 the  
16 words:— or hospital.

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18 SECTION 5. Section 31 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,  
19 is hereby amended by inserting after the word “facility” in lines 12,  
20 15, 16 and 28, the words:—or hospital, in each instance.

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22 SECTION 6. Section 32 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,  
23 is hereby amended by inserting after the word: “facilities” in lines  
24 8, 9 and 19 the words:—or hospitals, in each instance.

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26 SECTION 7. Section 33 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,  
27 is hereby amended by inserting after the word “facilities” in lines  
28 12, 19, 22 and 26 the words:— or hospitals, in each instance.

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30 SECTION 8. Said section 33 of said chapter 19A, as so  
31 appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the  
32 word “facilities” in line 15 the words:— or hospitals.

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34 SECTION 9. Section 35 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,  
35 is hereby amended by inserting after the word: “facilities” in  
36 line 7 the words:— or hospitals.

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