

HOUSE No. 1081

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Alice Hanlon Peisch

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to real estate disclosure forms.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Alice Hanlon Peisch

14th Norfolk

Ann-Margaret Ferrante

5th Essex

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By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1081) of Alice Hanlon Peisch and Ann-Margaret Ferrante that the Attorney General promulgate regulations to create a standard disclosure form for residential real estate sales. Financial Services.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to real estate disclosure forms.

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

1 Chapter 93 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended after section 114 by adding the following section:-

3 “SECTION 115.

4 (a) The office of the attorney general shall promulgate regulations to create a standard
5 disclosure form for real estate sales.

6 (b) Such a form shall disclose all relevant and material information known to a real estate
7 broker or real estate salesman as defined in section 87PP of chapter 112 of the General Laws, or
8 a seller, about the property to be sold, and shall include information on, but not limited to:

9 (1) the roof, foundation, and other structural components,

10 (2) appliances,

- 11 (3) electrical, water, sewer, heating, and other mechanical systems,
- 12 (4) trees and natural hazards (earthquakes, flooding, hurricanes),
- 13 (5) environmental hazards, such as lead, asbestos, mold, radon, or contamination by use
- 14 as a meth lab, and
- 15 (6) zoning.”