HOUSE No. 134

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas M. Stanley

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 to reinvest savings for the financial health of the human service system.

PETITION OF:

NAME: DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Thomas M. Stanley 9th Middlesex

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By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 134) of Thomas M. Stanley relative to funding health and human service programs. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 156 OF 2013-2014.]

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act to reinvest savings for the financial health of the human service system.

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

- Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the secretary of
- 2 administration and finance shall direct not less than fifty percent of the annual savings attributed
- 3 to the community services expansion and facilities restructuring plan, so called, including, but
- 4 not limited to, the savings derived from reduced facilities maintenance and upkeep resulting from
- 5 said plan, to fund and implement Chapter 257 of the Acts of 2008.
- 6 If the commissioner of the division of capital asset management and maintenance
- 7 requests from the general court authorization to dispose of state real property formerly used as a
- 8 department of mental health state hospital, or a department of developmental services facility,
- 9 including any of the department's five developmental centers, the request shall require that not

- less than fifty per cent of the disposition of proceeds from the transferred property is directed to
 fund and implement Chapter 257 of the Acts of 2008.
- 12 The secretary of administration and finance, the secretary of health and human services, and the commissioner of the division of capital asset management and maintenance shall report 13 annually to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on 14 children, families, and persons with disabilities the status of the community services expansion 15 and facilities restructuring plan, so called, the status of disposal of state real property formerly 16 used as a department of mental health state hospital, or a department of developmental services 17 facility, including any of the department's five developmental centers, and progress for funding 18 and implementing Chapter 257 of the Acts of 2008. 19