

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1630**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Ellen Story and Byron Rushing*

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 updating the laws to protect women's health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Byron Rushing</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carlo Basile</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>
<i>Michael Barrett</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>

<i>Stephen Kulik</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>
<i>Jay R. Kaufman</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas P. Conroy</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Aaron Michlewitz</i>	<i>3rd Suffolk</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Gloria L. Fox</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>
<i>Martha M. Walz</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jonathan D. Zlotnik</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Brian R. Mannel</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>

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By Representatives Story of Amherst and Rushing of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1630) of Ellen Story and others for legislation to further regulate the performance of abortions and protecting women’s reproductive health

. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
 HOUSE  
 , NO. 515 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act updating the laws to protect women's health.

*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 12Q of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following paragraph: -

4 Except in an emergency requiring immediate action, no abortion may be performed under  
5 section twelve L or twelve M unless the written consent of the proper person has been delivered  
6 to the physician performing the abortion as set forth in section 12S.

7 SECTION 2. Section 19 of chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

8 SECTION 3. Section 20 of said chapter 272 is hereby repealed.

9 SECTION 4. Section 21 of said chapter 272 is hereby repealed.

10 SECTION 5. Section 21A of chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
11 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in lines 2, 4 and 8 the word “married”.