

HOUSE No. 1960

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William C. Galvin

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 requiring the screening of newborns for congenital heart defects.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

William C. Galvin

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

6th Norfolk

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By Mr. Galvin of Canton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1960) of William C. Galvin for legislation to require the screening of newborns for congenital heart defects. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen
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An Act requiring the screening of newborns for congenital heart defects.

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 Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section
- 2 224 the following new section:
- 3 The Department shall expand statewide screening of newborns to include pulse oximetry
- 4 screening for critical congenital heart disease a minimum of 24 hours after birth but prior to
- 5 discharge.