

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2045**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*John H. Rogers and Michael F. Rush*

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 granting equal access to original birth certificates to all persons born in Massachusetts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael F. Rush</i>	<i>Norfolk and Suffolk</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Byron Rushing</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>

<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2045**

---

By Representative Rogers of Norwood and Senator Rush, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2045) of John H. Rogers and others relative to granting equal access to original birth certificates. Public Health.

---

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act granting equal access to original birth certificates to all persons born in Massachusetts.

*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 2B of chapter 46 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking, in line 3, the words “on or before July 17, 1974  
3 or after January 1, 2008” and by striking in lines 4 and 5, the words “on or after January 1,  
4 2008.”