

HOUSE No. 2689

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul J. Donato

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 provide for the public inspection of records made or received by special state police officers at educational institutions.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Paul J. Donato

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

35th Middlesex

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By Mr. Donato of Medford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2689) of Paul J. Donato for legislation to designate certain law enforcement records as public records. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2660 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act to provide for the public inspection of records made or received by special state police officers at educational institutions.

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 63 of chapter 22C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:—

3 All records, reports or other documentary materials or data made or received for the
4 purpose of law enforcement by a special state police officer of a college, university or other
5 educational institution, appointed pursuant to this section, shall be public records unless such
6 records fall within 1 or more of the exemptions in clause 26th of section 7 of chapter 4 or are
7 education records as defined in 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (a)(4). Such public records shall be kept and
8 maintained in the custody of the law enforcement unit of such college, university, or other
9 educational institution.

10 SECTION 2. Section 1 of chapter 66 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
11 amended by inserting after the word “necessary.”, in line 9, the following:— He shall see that
12 the public records made or maintained by an employee of a college, university or other
13 educational institution, appointed as a special state police officer pursuant to section 63 of
14 chapter 22C, are kept in the custody and condition required by the laws relating to such special
15 state police officers so appointed.

16 SECTION 3. Subsection (a) of section 10 of said chapter 66, as so appearing, is hereby
17 amended by inserting after the word “four”, in line 2, the following words:— or section 63 of
18 chapter 22C

19 SECTION 4. Said Subsection (a) of section 10 of said chapter 66, as so appearing, is
20 hereby further amended by inserting after the word “police”, in line 11, the first time it appears,
21 the following words:— , law enforcement records of special state police officers of a college,
22 university or other educational institution, appointed pursuant to section 63 of chapter 22C.