

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4202**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Elizabeth Poirier**

*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 providing visitation rights for great grandparents.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Elizabeth Poirier

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

14th Bristol

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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An Act providing visitation rights for great grandparents.

*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 23 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the word “grandparents” in lines 34, 40, 44 and 45, in each instance,  
3 the words:- and great grandparents.

4 **SECTION 2.** Section 26 of said chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the  
5 word “grandparents” in lines 92, 98, 101 and 102, in each instance, the words:- and great grandparents.

6 **SECTION 3.** Section 39D of said chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the  
7 word “grandparents”, in lines 17 and 19, in each instance, the words:- and great grandparents.