

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4483**

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Substituted, on motion of Mr. Walsh of Peabody, for a bill with the same title (House, No. 3092).  
March 14, 2024.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to restricted vital records.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to expand access to information about vital statistics, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*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 2A of chapter 46 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the following words:-  
3 children born out of wedlock or.

4           SECTION 2. Said section 2A of said chapter 46, as so appearing, is hereby further  
5 amended by striking out, in lines 5 and 6, the following words:- , or those of persons born out of  
6 wedlock.