

HOUSE No. 00501

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John W. Scibak

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 Relative to Discrimination Because of a Known Relationship or Association With a Handicapped Individual..

PETITION OF:

NAME: _____ | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: _____

HOUSE No. 00501

By Mr. John W Scibak of South Hadley, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00501) of [petitioners] relative to discrimination because of a relationship or association with a handicapped individual. Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven
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An Act Relative to Discrimination Because of a Known Relationship or Association With a Handicapped Individual..

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: Subsection 2 of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in line 72 “any person
3 alleging to be a qualified handicapped person,” the following words:- “or because of a known
4 relationship or association of any person alleging to be a qualified individual to a handicapped
5 person”

6 SECTION 2: Subsection 3 of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as appearing in
7 the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in lines 85 and 89
8 “qualified handicapped person” the following words:- “, or because of a known relationship or
9 association of any qualified person individual to a handicapped person”

10 SECTION 3: Subsection 3B of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as appearing in
11 the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the words in line 106 “or handicap”
12 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “handicap, or known relationship or
13 association to someone with a handicap”

14 SECTION 4: Subsection 3C of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as appearing in
15 the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the words in line 139 “or handicap”
16 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “handicap, or known relationship or
17 association to someone with a handicap”

18 SECTION 5: Subsection 6, Clause (a), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
19 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in lines
20 167 and 168 “or has any other handicap” the following words:- “, or because of a known
21 relationship or association to an individual with a handicap”

22 SECTION 6: Subsection 6, Clause (b), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
23 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended inserting at the end thereof the
24 following words:- “or because of a known relationship or association to an individual with a
25 handicap;”

26 SECTION 7: Subsection 6, Clause (c), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
27 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the words in line 183
28 “or because such a person is blind, or hearing impaired or has any other handicap” and inserting
29 in place thereof the following words:- “because such a person is blind, or hearing impaired or has
30 any other handicap, or because of a known relationship or association to an individual with a
31 handicap”

32 SECTION 8: Subsection 7, Clause (a), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
33 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended inserting at the end thereof the
34 following words:- “or because of a known relationship or association to an individual with a
35 handicap;”

36 SECTION 9: Subsection 7, Clause (b), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
37 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the following words
38 in line 237 “or other handicap,” the following words:- “or because of a known relationship or
39 association to an individual with a handicap;”

40 SECTION 10: Subsection 7, Clause (c), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
41 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in line
42 246 “or other handicap,” the following words:- “or because of a known relationship or
43 association to an individual with a handicap;”

44 SECTION 11: Subsection 7B of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as appearing in
45 the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the words in line 342 “or handicap”
46 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “handicap, or known relationship or
47 association with a handicapped person”

48 SECTION 12: Subsection 8, Clause (1), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
49 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in line
50 351 “ancestry handicap” the following words:- “, a known relationship or association with
51 someone with an ancestry handicap,”

52 SECTION 13: Subsection 8, Clause (2), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
53 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in line

54 355 “ancestry, handicap,” the following words:- “known relationship or association with a
55 handicapped person,”

56 SECTION 14: Subsection 8, Clause (3), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
57 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in line
58 362 “ancestry, handicap,” the following words:- “known relationship or association with a
59 handicapped person,”

60 SECTION 15: Subsection 13, Clause (a), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
61 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in line
62 475 “or a handicapped person” the following words:- “or known relationships or association with
63 a handicapped person,”

64 SECTION 16: Subsection 13, Clause (b), of Section 4 of Chapter 151B of the General Laws, as
65 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words in line
66 485“or a handicapped person” the following words:- “or known relationships or association with
67 a handicapped person,”