

HOUSE No. 74

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Garrett J. Bradley

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 the services from the Department of Developmental Services for individuals with prader willi syndrome.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Garrett J. Bradley</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Rhonda Nyman</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>

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By Mr. Bradley of Hingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 74) of Garrett J. Bradley and others relative to the services for individuals with Prader Willi Syndrome. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to the services from the Department of Developmental Services for individuals with prader willi syndrome.

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 1 of Chapter 123B of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 adding after the definition of “person with an intellectual disability”, the following new
3 definition:-

4 “Person with Prader-Willi Syndrome”, a person who has a verified diagnosis of Prader-
5 Willi Syndrome, so called, a neurobehavioral genetic disorder, as diagnosed by a physician.”

6 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the
7 contrary, the department of developmental services is hereby directed to promulgate regulations
8 (115 CMR 1.00, et seq.) making a person with prader-willi syndrome, as defined in section 1 of
9 chapter 123B of the General Laws, eligible for services and support from said department of
10 developmental services.