

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 931**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Elizabeth A. 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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to sex selection in pregnancy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>James J. Lyons, Jr.</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>

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By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 931) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to prohibit abortions solely on account of the sex of the unborn child. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1547 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to sex selection in pregnancy.

*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.

2           Section 12L of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official  
3 Edition of the General Laws of Massachusetts, is hereby amended by striking the period at the  
4 end thereof and adding the following:— “provided, however, no physician shall intentionally  
5 perform such an abortion with the knowledge that the mother is seeking the abortion solely on  
6 account of the sex of the unborn child.”

7           SECTION 2.

8           Section 12M of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official  
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