

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1069**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Kenneth J. Donnelly, (BY REQUEST)***

*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 to end the stigmatization of out-of-wedlock births.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Barbara Matthews*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*P.O. Box 399*

*Lexington, MA 02420-0004*

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By Mr. Donnelly (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1069) of Barbara Matthews for legislation to end the stigmatization of out-of-wedlock births. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act to end the stigmatization of out-of-wedlock births.

*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 2A of Chapter 46 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition,
- 2 is hereby amended by striking out, in the first sentence, the words:- “children born out of
- 3 wedlock or” and “or those of persons born out of wedlock”.