

SENATE No. 372

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Daniel A. Wolf

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 regarding spouses as caregivers.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>Daniel A. Wolf</i> | <i>Cape and Islands</i> |
| <i>Sarah K. Peake</i> | <i>4th Barnstable</i> |
| <i>Jason M. Lewis</i> | <i>Fifth Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Michael O. Moore</i> | <i>Second Worcester</i> |
| <i>Barbara L'Italien</i> | <i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i> | <i>12th Hampden</i> |
| <i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i> | <i>3rd Berkshire</i> |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> |
| <i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i> | <i>Second Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Anne M. Gobi</i> | <i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Cory Atkins</i> | <i>14th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Mary S. Keefe</i> | <i>15th Worcester</i> |
| <i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i> | <i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i> |
| <i>Thomas M. Stanley</i> | <i>9th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Brian A. Joyce</i> | <i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Jennifer E. Benson</i> | <i>37th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Leah Cole</i> | <i>12th Essex</i> |

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| <i>Bruce E. Tarr</i> | <i>First Essex and Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Timothy R. Whelan</i> | <i>1st Barnstable</i> |
| <i>Mathew Muratore</i> | <i>1st Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Joan B. Lovely</i> | <i>Second Essex</i> |
| <i>Paul Tucker</i> | <i>7th Essex</i> |
| <i>Carmine L. Gentile</i> | <i>13th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Edward F. Coppinger</i> | <i>10th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>William C. Galvin</i> | <i>6th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i> | <i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Bradford R. Hill</i> | <i>4th Essex</i> |
| <i>Paul McMurtry</i> | <i>11th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Chris Walsh</i> | <i>6th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Denise Provost</i> | <i>27th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>James M. Murphy</i> | <i>4th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Stephen Kulik</i> | <i>1st Franklin</i> |
| <i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i> | <i>3rd Worcester</i> |

SENATE No. 372

By Mr. Wolf, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 372) of Daniel A. Wolf, Sarah K. Peake, Jason M. Lewis, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to spouses as caregivers. Elder Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act regarding spouses as caregivers.

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 9 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, on line 14, after the words, "requirements of
3 Title XIX," the following “ provided further, spouses shall be permitted to serve as caregivers in
4 the adult foster care and personal care attendant programs.”