

SENATE No. 00730

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia S. Creem

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 rights of children adopted by unmarried persons.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Cynthia S. Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Middlesex and Norfolk

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By Ms. Creem, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 730) of Creem for legislation relative to the rights of children adopted by unmarried persons [Joint Committee on the Judiciary].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ SENATE
□ , NO. 1652 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to the rights of children adopted by unmarried persons.

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. Chapter 210 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition
2 is hereby amended by inserting after Section 6E, the following section:-

3 Section 6F. After an adjudication of adoption, in the event that the adoptive parents are
4 not married to each other, in any dispute as may arise as to custody, visitation, support,
5 education, maintenance and health insurance, the adoptive parent may seek relief under sections
6 nine, ten, eleven, eighteen, nineteen and twenty of chapter two hundred and nine C provided
7 however that the provisions of paragraph B of section 10 of chapter two hundred and nine C
8 shall not apply to this section.