

HOUSE No. 90

By Mr. Fagan of Taunton, petition of James H. Fagan for legislation to provide for random reviews of abuse investigations conducted by the Department of Mental Retardation, Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR RANDOM REVIEWS OF ABUSE INVESTIGATIONS
CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL RETARDATION.

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 3 of Chapter 19C of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after
3 subsection (i) the following subsection:—
4 (j) to conduct random reviews of 10% of the department of
5 mental retardation's investigation into alleged abuse. The reviews
6 shall be carried out to ensure that any follow-up action recom-
7 mended is being carried out to remedy the abuse, and to ensure
8 that follow-up action is recommended when appropriate. At the
9 completion of its review, the disabled persons protection commis-
10 sion shall forward a report of its findings to the department and to
11 the secretary of health and human services.