

HOUSE No. 2224

By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, petition of Elizabeth A. Poirier relative to access to birth records of certain persons born out of wedlock. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ACCESS TO CERTAIN BIRTH RECORDS.

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
- 2 the 1998 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the
- 3 following paragraph:—
- 4 The provisions of this section limiting access to records and
- 5 returns of children and persons born out of wedlock shall apply only
- 7 in cases where the infant was given up for adoption or where the
- 8 name of the father is not listed on the record or return.