

SENATE NO. 926

AN ACT CLARIFYING THE STATUS OF SAME-SEX MARRIAGES PERFORMED UNDER PUBLIC AUTHORITY IN MASSACHUSETTS SINCE MAY 17, 2004.

*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. It is hereby declared that all same-sex marriages performed under public authority
2 in Massachusetts since May 17, 2004, excepting the plaintiffs in the Goodridge case, are
3 without statutory basis; and no other marriage performed in Massachusetts will be considered
4 legally binding which is not established by Massachusetts statute, notwithstanding licensing
5 through the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, or city or town clerk.