

HOUSE No. 2558

By Mrs. Holland of Longmeadow, petition of Iris K. Holland that legislation filed with the General Court contain a statement of purpose. Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Eight.

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF PURPOSE ON ALL LEGISLATION FILED IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 3 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting
2 after section 21 thereof the following section: —

3 Section 21A. As of the first Wednesday in December 1987 all
4 legislation filed with the clerk of the House or Senate is required
5 to commence with the sponsor's statement of purpose for filing
6 the bill. The statement of purpose shall contain the author's
7 legislative intent.

