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By Mr. Fleming of Worcester, petition of William D. Fleming for legislation to regulate the inspection of certain petitions for adoption. Legal Affairs.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-One.

### AN ACT REGULATING THE INSPECTION OF CERTAIN PETITIONS FOR ADOPTION.

*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 five A of chapter two hundred and ten of  
2 the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary  
3 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the  
4 word "necessary" in the thirteenth line the follow-  
5 ing:—

6 Petitions for adoption submitted hereunder shall not  
7 at any time be opened for inspection except by the  
8 parties and their attorney unless the court, the regis-  
9 ter or assistant registers for good cause shown shall  
10 otherwise order.

