

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1301

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By Mr. Sprague of Sherborn, petition of Robert J. Tarte and George R. Sprague for legislation to authorize the examination of microfilm copies of birth records for genealogical research. Government Regulations.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Six.

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### AN ACT CONCERNING OPENING BIRTH RECORDS FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH.

*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 chapter 324 of the acts of 1954 and as most recently amended by  
3 chapter 10 of the acts of 1965, is hereby further amended by  
4 inserting after the word "conservator" in line 10, the words:—  
5 and members of legally incorporated genealogical societies — and  
6 after the word "thereof" in line 17 by inserting the words:— or  
7 examination of microfilm copies of such records, returns or  
8 notices taken prior to seventy-five years of date of such  
9 examination.

