

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1612

By Mrs. Gray of Framingham, petition of Barbara E. Gray, Sharon M. Pollard and Carol C. Amick that provision be made for victims of rape to be compensated for certain medical expenses. The Judiciary.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT PROVIDING FOR VICTIM COMPENSATION IN CASES OF RAPE.

*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. Section 5 of Chapter 258A of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by inserting after the word "based" in paragraph  
3 one the following sentences: — In cases of rape, out-of-pocket  
4 losses requiring compensation shall include medical, surgical, and  
5 hospital expenses; evidentiary examinations; counseling; emergen-  
6 cy funds for housing; and pregnancy. Pain, suffering, and mental  
7 stress shall be included as losses requiring compensation.

1 SECTION 2. Section 5 of Chapter 258A of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by inserting after the words "occurrence of such  
3 crime," in paragraph two the following phrase: — except in the  
4 case of rape.

