

HOUSE No. 5988

Substituted by the House, on motion of Ms. Noble of Boston and as amended on motion of Mr. Natsios of Holliston, for a Bill to amend plans for assistance to persons deprived of living quarters by addition of the category "victims of domestic violence" (House, No. 3325). June 13.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING HOUSING ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

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 41 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking
2 out section 125, inserted by chapter 556 of the acts of 1972, and
3 inserting in place thereof the following section: —

4 *Section 25.* The city manager in cities having a Plan D or Plan E
5 charter, the mayor in all other cities, and the board of selectmen in
6 towns shall coordinate a plan in conjunction with the housing
7 authority, if any, to assist persons who have been deprived of living
8 quarters because of fire or as victims of domestic violence or other
9 disaster to obtain temporary living quarters. For the purpose of
0 this section, domestic violence shall mean persons who have been
1 physically abused by another member of the immediate family
2 residing within the same dwelling unit.

