

By Mr. Aleixo of Taunton, petition of Theodore J. Aleixo, Jr., and Thomas K. Lynch relative to the establishment of a census of nursing home beds. Health Care.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENSUS OF NURSING HOME BEDS.

*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 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting  
2 after section 72F the following section: —

3 *Section 72G.* All facilities licensed under section seventy-one of  
4 this chapter shall file on a weekly basis with the department a  
5 statistics, including but not limited to, the total number of level II  
6 and level III beds, as defined by federal law and regulation, in the  
7 facility; the total number of level II and level III beds, as so defined,  
8 occupied at the beginning of the week; the total number of level II  
9 and level III residents discharged during the week; the total  
10 number of level II and level III residents admitted during the week;  
11 the total number of level II and level III beds occupied at the end of  
12 the week; and the reasons for discharge and disposition of dis-  
13 charged residents and the sources of referral of admitted residents.

14 The department shall make said statistics available to the depart-  
15 ment of public welfare to assist in the placement of individuals no  
16 longer needing hospital care but requiring long term institutional  
17 care.

