

SENATE No. 584

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 584) of the Department of Mental Health, by Richard S. Goldstein, the Savings Bank Association of Massachusetts by Elliott G. Carr, the Massachusetts Association of retarded Children, by Peter Linkow, the Massachusetts Association of Mental Health, by Gerald W. Robinson, Joseph B. Walsh and Joseph S. Semensi for legislation to permit the Department of Mental Health to lease premises for terms not exceeding ten years. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PERMITTING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO LEASE PREMISES FOR TERMS NOT EXCEEDING TEN YEARS.

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 10A of chapter 8 of the General Laws, as most re-
2 cently amended by section 37 of chapter 757 of the acts of
3 1962, is hereby further amended by adding the following
4 paragraph after the first paragraph: —

5 Notwithstanding the time limitation and notice and pro-
6 posal requirements of this section or of any other provision
7 of law, the Department of Mental Health, subject to the fore-
8 going approval, may lease for a term not exceeding ten years
9 premises in a building not owned by the commonwealth for
10 the purpose of establishing a community based residential
11 facility for the mentally ill or mentally retarded to be oper-
12 ated under a contract with the Department of Mental Health
13 by a vendor who may be the lessor of the premises.

