

By Mr. Hodgkins of Lee, petition of Christopher J. Hodgkins relative to the disclosure of medical records of nuclear power plant workers. Energy.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO DISCLOSURE OF MEDICAL RECORDS OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANT WORKERS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 The department of public health is authorized to require the
2 operators of nuclear power plants to produce the medical records,
3 radiation exposure records, and any other health-related records
4 deemed appropriate by the department of all persons who at any
5 time have worked at such nuclear power plants, whether as
6 employees of the operators or as employees of contractors,
7 subcontractors or agents hired by the operators; provided,
8 however, that psychiatric and other mental health records are
9 excluded from the provisions of this section.

10 Any record provided to the department under this section shall
11 not constitute a public record; nor shall any information from
12 such record be available except as may be deemed necessary by
13 the commissioner for administrative, research or statistical
14 purposes.

