

HOUSE No. 929

By Mr. Gibbons of Stoneham, petition of Kathleen G. Daley and another to provide representation for convalescent and nursing homes on the public health advisory committee. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO PROVIDE REPRESENTATION FOR CONVALESCENT AND NURSING HOMES ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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 72A of chapter 111 of the General Laws,
2 as most recently amended, is hereby further amended
3 by adding at the end of the first sentence thereof the
4 words: — and two of such positions shall at all times
5 be filled by persons appointed upon the recommenda-
6 tion of the Massachusetts Federation of Nursing
7 Homes, — so as to read as follows: — *Section 72A.* —
8 The department shall appoint an advisory committee
9 on hospitals, sanatoria, convalescent and nursing
10 homes and boarding homes for the aged to consist of
11 representatives of the medical and nursing profes-
12 sions, hospital administrators and hospital trustees,
13 who shall serve at the pleasure of the department,
14 and two of such positions shall at all times be filled

15 by persons appointed upon the recommendation of
16 the Massachusetts Hospital Association, and two of
17 such positions shall at all times be filled by persons
18 appointed upon the recommendation of the Massa-
19 chusetts Federation of Nursing Homes. Said ad-
20 visory committee shall also consist of ex-officio mem-
21 bers composed of the commissioner of public welfare,
22 the commissioner of mental health and the director
23 of the Massachusetts public building commission.
24 Said committee shall advise the department in any
25 matter pertaining to sections seventy-two, seventy-
26 two A and seventy-three. Members of said commit-
27 tee shall serve without compensation, but shall re-
28 ceive the necessary traveling expenses incurred by
29 them in the performance of their duties. Said com-
30 mittees shall meet not less than twice a year, and
31 other meetings may be called by the department on
32 proper notice.