

HOUSE No. 3526

By Mr. White of Boston, petition of Louis Dolen for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to protecting all persons from abuse and neglect. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

PROPOSAL FOR A LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION PROVIDING FOR PROTECTION OF ALL PERSONS FROM ABUSE AND NEGLECT.

1 A majority of all the members elected to the Senate and House of
2 Representatives, in joint session, hereby declares it to be expedient
3 to alter the Constitution by the adoption of the following Article of
4 Amendment, to the end that it may become a part of the Constitu-
5 tion [if similirly agreed to in a joint session of the next General
6 Court and approved by the people at the state election next
7 following]:

8 **ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.**

9 Article CVI of the Amendments to the Constitution by inserting
10 after the last sentence of the section of that amendment the follow-
11 ing sentence: —

12 All persons shall have the right to be free from abuse and neglect
13 in accordance with the laws and regulations and policies promul-
14 gated thereunder.

