

By Mr. Stoddart of Natick (by request), petition of Jane Olive Buck relative to the donation of human body organs. Health Care.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ORGAN DONATIONS.

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 1. Chapter 113 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 8 and inserting in place thereof
3 the following section:—

4 Section 8. Unless a person of sound mind and who is eighteen
5 years of age or older indicates in writing otherwise and carries a
6 card to that effect shall be presumed to have made a gift of all
7 parts of his body for the purposes specified in section nine, said
8 gift to take effect upon his death, or in the case of a living donor
9 at such time prior to his death as he may specify in accordance
10 with the requirements of subsection (b) of section ten, so long as
11 such donation does not jeopardize in any way the life and health
12 of the donor.

1 SECTION 2. Sections ten, eleven and twelve of said chapter
2 one hundred and thirteen are hereby repealed.

