

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4612

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By Mr. Kendall of Falmouth, petition of Zada Clarke, Richard E. Kendall and John F. Aylmer for legislation to include the name of the father on the birth records of certain children. Government Regulations.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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### AN ACT TO INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE FATHER ON THE BIRTH RECORDS OF CERTAIN CHILDREN.

*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 of chapter 46 of the General Laws, as amended by  
2 chapter 254 of the acts of 1971, is hereby further amended by  
3 striking out the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof  
4 the following paragraph: —

5 In the record of births, date of record, date of birth, place of  
6 birth, name of child, his or her sex, the names, places of birth and  
7 residence of his or her parents, including the maiden name of the  
8 mother and occupation of the father. In the record of birth of an  
9 illegitimate child, the name of and other facts relating to the  
10 father shall not be recorded except on the written request of both  
11 father and mother “or unless the father has been legally  
12 determined under section twelve of chapter two hundred and  
13 seventy-three.”

