

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 5197

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, December 23, 1997.

The committee on The Judiciary, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5169) of Brian Knuuttila, Mary Jane Simmons, Emile J. Goguen and others relative to the modification of divorce support orders for the expense of caring for disabled children, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5170) of Scott A. Bailey for legislation to further regulate abuse prevention orders to vacate reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5197) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

JOHN H. ROGERS.

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

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1     *Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary be authorized to  
2 sit during the recess of the General Court to make an investigation  
3 and study of House documents numbered 5169 and 5170 relative  
4 to divorce and abuse prevention.

5     Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of  
6 its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any,  
7 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recom-  
8 mendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the  
9 House on or before the last Wednesday in December nineteen  
10 hundred and ninety-eight.