

HOUSE No. 1936

By Ms. Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1936) of Kay Khan and others relative to medical services at the Bridgewater State Hospital. Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kay Khan

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to Bridgewater State Hospital.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire
Brian P. Wallace	4th Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2144 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO BRIDGEWATER STATE HOSPITAL.

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. Section 18 of Chapter 125 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the
2 following paragraph:—

3 The medical director shall ensure that Bridgewater State Hospital provides services in
4 compliance with all applicable federal and state standards, statutes, and regulations. The medical
5 director shall seek, and make every effort to obtain and retain, accreditation by the National
6 Commission on Correctional Health Care and hospital level accreditation by the Joint
7 Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.