

By Mr. Nagle of Northampton, petition of William P. Nagle, Jr., that municipal boards of health be authorized to inspect nursing homes to determine the adequacy of facilities and the quality of care. Health Care.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT AUTHORIZING ANY MUNICIPAL BOARD OF HEALTH TO INSPECT NURSING HOMES FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after section 31D the following section:—

3 *Section 31E.* The board of health of any city or town may
4 investigate nursing homes to determine the adequacy of facilities
5 and the quality of care rendered. If it is determined that there are
6 defects in such facilities or quality of care, the same shall be
7 reported to the department unless the owner or operator of such
8 nursing home shall comply with the order of the board.

