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By Mr. Pina of New Bedford and Mrs. Pines of Newton, petition of Ronald A. Pina and Lois G. Pines that parents of adopted children be authorized to obtain certain biological information. The Judiciary.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING THE PARENTS OF ADOPTED CHILDREN THE MEANS TO OBTAIN CERTAIN BIOLOGICAL INFORMATION.

*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 28A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding  
2 the following section:—

3 *Section 12.* The natural parent of an adopted child may at any  
4 time in writing to the placement agency who processed such  
5 adoption consent to inform the adoptive parents through the  
6 placement agency of any biologically related information desired  
7 by the adoptive family. The adoptive parent may request such  
8 information through the placement agency and the placement  
9 agency shall contact the natural parent of such adopted child and  
10 the natural parent may provide such information to the  
11 placement agency and such agency shall provide the information  
12 to the adoptive family.

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