

HOUSE No. 1285

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Viriato Manuel deMacedo

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to providing a safe harbor for good samaritans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2013</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	

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By Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1285) of Viriato Manuel deMacedo, Sheila C. Harrington and Thomas J. Calter relative to protecting certain persons rendering emergency care from liability. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3385 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to providing a safe harbor for good samaritans.

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 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 12V½ the
2 following section:-

3 Section 12V3/4. Any person, who in good faith, attempts to render emergency care at the
4 place of the emergency, or while in transit in an ambulance or rescue vehicle to a person who is
5 in urgent need of care as a result of the emergency, and does so without compensation for the
6 care from or on behalf of the person cared for, shall not be liable for acts or omissions, other than
7 gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct, resulting from the attempt to render such
8 emergency care; provided, however, that any persons rendering emergency care shall have the
9 duty to place the injured person under the care of a physician, nurse, or other persons qualified to
10 care for such person as soon as possible and to obey the instructions of such qualified person.