

SENATE No. 1780

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to expert witnesses in actions for medical malpractice..

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. Chapter 231 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2006 official edition is
2 hereby amended by adding after section 60K, the following new section:

3 Section 60L. In any action for malpractice, negligence, error, omission, mistake or the
4 unauthorized rendering of professional services against a provider of health licensed pursuant to
5 section 2 of chapter 112, including actions pursuant to section 60B of this chapter, an expert
6 witness shall be board certified in the same specialty as the defendant physician as licensed
7 pursuant to section 2 of chapter 112.