

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3163**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Thomas A. Golden, Jr.***

*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 optometrists scope of practice.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>David B. Sullivan</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>David M. Nangle</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kevin J. Murphy</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3163) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr. and others relative to the scope of practice by optometrists. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2060 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act relative to optometrists scope of practice.

*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 66B of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in the first paragraph, after the words “except  
3 for those listed in schedule” and inserting after the following new words: “III through”

4 SECTION 2. Section 66B of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
5 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the last sentence in its entirety and inserting the  
6 following new sentence:

7 “For the purposes of this section and section 68B, the term “therapeutic pharmaceutical  
8 agents” shall mean those pharmaceutical agents required for the diagnosis, prevention,  
9 management or treatment of abnormal ocular conditions or diseases.”