

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 467**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Ronald Mariano***

*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 relating to medical malpractice liability of health professionals in emergency response.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Ronald Mariano</i>	<i>3rd Norfolk</i>	<i>1/18/2011</i>
<i>Thomas P. Conroy</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>

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By Mr. Mariano of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 467) of Ronald Mariano, Thomas P. Conroy and Carl M. Sciortino, Jr. relative to medical malpractice liability of health professionals in emergency response. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1520 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relating to medical malpractice liability of health professionals in emergency response.

*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 Massachusetts General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out section 12C and inserting in place thereof the  
3 following section:—

4 Section 12C. No physician, physician assistant, or nurse administering immunization or  
5 other protective programs under public health programs shall be liable in a civil suit for damages  
6 as a result of any act or omission on his part in carrying out his duties. No physician, physician  
7 assistant, or nurse who is registered by the Commonwealth in the Massachusetts System for  
8 Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals or its successor entity shall be liable in  
9 civil suit for damages for any act or omission on his part related to his voluntary participation in  
10 any disaster preparedness or response activity.