SENATE No. 1203

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia S. Creem

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 medical examinations in correctional facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Cynthia S. Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

SENATE DOCKET, NO. 943 FILED ON: 1/20/2011

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1203) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation relative to medical examinations in correctional facilities. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 937 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to medical examinations in correctional facilities.

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 sixteen of chapter 127 of the general laws, as appearing

2 in the 2008

Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:— During
the conduct of any such physical examination or any subsequent medical examination of a
female inmate, the presence of a female nurse or female corrections officer shall be required.
Nothing in this section shall prohibit the rendering of immediate emergency medical treatment
for a potentially life-threatening condition.