

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1785

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera***

*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 the location of methadone clinics.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	

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By Ms. Coakley-Rivera of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1785) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera for legislation to further regulate the location of methadone clinics in the vicinity of schools. Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2877 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen  
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An Act relative to the location of methadone clinics.

*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 40A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 9C the following section:—

3           Section 9D. No licensed methadone dispensing facility or clinic shall be located within a  
4 radius of 1000 feet of the real property line of an elementary, secondary, vocational, public, or  
5 private school, licensed preschool, or any head start program or within 100 feet of a public park.  
6 Individuals operating said clinics have 1 year to comply.