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HOUSE . . . . . No. 2053

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Poirier

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 promoting sterilization during surgery.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Elizabeth A. Poirier	*14th Bristol*

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By Ms. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2053) of Elizabeth A. Poirier relative to the sterilization of surgery rooms and intensive care units. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *608* OF 2011-2012.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act promoting sterilization during surgery.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after section 184C, the following section:

Section184D. Every hospital shall maintain in surgical and intensive care units, in a clear and visible place the following directives:

(a) Wash your hands; (b) Clean the patient's skin with chlorhexidine antiseptic; (c) Place sterile drapes over the patient's entire body; (d) Wear a sterile gown, hat, mask and gloves; (e) Put a sterile dressing over the catheter site once the line is inserted.