

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3359**

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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 72 hour emergency prescribing.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Eileen M. Donoghue</i>	<i>First Middlesex</i>	
<i>Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>William Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>	<i>3/11/2013</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Kevin J. Murphy</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/13/2013</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	

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By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3359) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr. and others relative to the dispensing of controlled substances by emergency room physicians. Public Health.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to 72 hour emergency prescribing.

*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 94C of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 Section 50. A physician practicing in an emergency room shall not be permitted to  
3 provide to a patient seeking emergency care more than 72 hours worth of a controlled substance  
4 as defined by this chapter.