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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Josh S. Cutler*

*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 licensed mental health counselors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>6/5/2014</i>

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By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Josh S. Cutler for legislation to authorize licensed mental health counselors to hospitalize persons posing risk of serious bodily harm by reason of mental illness. Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen**  
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An Act relative to licensed mental health counselors.

*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 12 of Chapter 123, as appearing the 2012 official edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting, after the words “clinical specialist” in line 2, the following words:-

3 “, licensed mental health counselor”

4 SECTION 2. Said section 12 of Chapter 123 is hereby further amended by inserting, after  
5 the words “clinical specialist” in line 16, the following words:-

6 “, licensed mental health counselor”

7 SECTION 3. Said section 12 of Chapter 123 is hereby further amended by inserting, after  
8 the words “clinical specialist” in line 20, the following words:-

9 “, licensed mental health counselor”