

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1824

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Timothy R. Whelan***

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*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 administration of Naloxone.

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PETITION OF:

| NAME:                         | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:                     | DATE ADDED:      |
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| <i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>      | <i>1st Barnstable</i>                 | <i>1/15/2015</i> |
| <i>Richard J. Ross</i>        | <i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i> | <i>10/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>   | <i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>     | <i>10/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Michael O. Moore</i>       | <i>Second Worcester</i>               | <i>1/23/2015</i> |
| <i>Shawn Dooley</i>           | <i>9th Norfolk</i>                    | <i>1/22/2015</i> |
| <i>Susannah M. Whipps Lee</i> | <i>2nd Franklin</i>                   | <i>10/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Susan Williams Gifford</i> | <i>2nd Plymouth</i>                   | <i>2/2/2015</i>  |
| <i>Randy Hunt</i>             | <i>5th Barnstable</i>                 | <i>1/30/2015</i> |
| <i>Brian M. Ashe</i>          | <i>2nd Hampden</i>                    | <i>10/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Brian R. Mannal</i>        | <i>2nd Barnstable</i>                 | <i>2/2/2015</i>  |
| <i>Todd M. Smola</i>          | <i>1st Hampden</i>                    | <i>1/22/2015</i> |
| <i>David F. DeCoste</i>       | <i>5th Plymouth</i>                   | <i>2/4/2015</i>  |

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By Mr. Whelan of Brewster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1824) of Timothy R. Whelan and others relative to allowing physicians to retain a person administered naloxone when deemed medically necessary. Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act relative to the administration of Naloxone.

*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: Chapter 123 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting the  
2 following section

3           Section 35A. When naloxone has been administered as a means to treat an opiate-related  
4 overdose, a doctor may hold the patient for a period of up to 3 hours without the consent of the  
5 patient if the doctor deems it medically necessary.