

SENATE No. 1039

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Keenan

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 discharge of persons incompetent to stand trial.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

John F. Keenan

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Plymouth

SENATE No. 1039

By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1039) of John F. Keenan for legislation relative to the discharge of persons incompetent to stand trial. Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 918 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to the discharge of persons incompetent to stand trial.

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 16 of chapter 123 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in subsection (e), by striking the words "jurisdiction of the
3 criminal case." in line 63, and inserting in place thereof the following:-

4 "jurisdiction of the criminal case; provided that, notwithstanding any laws or regulations
5 to the contrary, the superintendent or medical director shall at this time also provide information
6 to said district attorney regarding the intended placement of the person, or the residential address
7 to which that person shall return upon their discharge; provided further that placement or address
8 information provided pursuant to this section shall not be subject to section 10 of chapter 66 of
9 the General Laws."