

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1150**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Jennifer L. Flanagan***

*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 respiratory therapy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Jennifer L. Flanagan*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Worcester and Middlesex*

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1150**

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By Ms. Flanagan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1150) of Jennifer L. Flanagan for legislation relative to respiratory therapy. Public Health.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to respiratory therapy.

*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 23V of Chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 adding the following at the end thereof:-

3           “(e) Any employee working for a Massachusetts durable medical equipment company  
4 and having a minimum of 500 hours of positive airway pressure equipment and supply related  
5 training under the supervision of a Massachusetts licensed Respiratory Therapist may perform  
6 the delivery, set-up and maintenance of positive airway pressure equipment and supplies for  
7 home care patients with a diagnosis of obstructive sleep apnea. This exemption does not apply to  
8 clinical assessment, clinical evaluation, or clinical intervention on home care patients.”