

SENATE No. 284

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 preventing adolescent substance abuse by expanding SBIRT.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian A. Joyce</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Dennis A. Rosa</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>

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By Ms. Flanagan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 284) of Jennifer L. Flanagan, Brian A. Joyce, Michael O. Moore, Jennifer E. Benson and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to preventing adolescent substance abuse by expanding SBIRT. Education.

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

An Act relative to preventing adolescent substance abuse by expanding SBIRT.

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 57 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after the word results, in line 11, the following words: - “including a substance use
3 screening using a validated tool,”

4 And by inserting after the word department., in line 21, the following words: -
5 “Substance use screenings shall be performed by nurses, physicians, or other personnel who are
6 approved by the department of public health for the purpose, and shall be conducted at least once
7 annually in grades 8 or 9, and 11.”

8 SECTION 2. Said Section 57 of Chapter 71 is further amended by inserting after the final
9 paragraph the following paragraph:-

10 “Substance use screening results shall not be recorded in any file subject to inspection
11 under Section 34E of Chapter 71. Results for all students shall be recorded without identifying

12 information and reported to the Department of Public Health no later than 30 days after
13 completion.”