

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1153**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Daniel M. Donahue***

*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 to ensure safe medication administration.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>	<i>1/18/2017</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Edward F. Coppinger</i>	<i>10th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Daniel Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2017</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Natalie Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2017</i>

<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>John J. Mahoney</i>	<i>13th Worcester</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2017</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>

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By Mr. Donahue of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1153) of Daniel M. Donahue and others relative to the administration of controlled substances. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1928 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**

An Act to ensure safe medication administration.

*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 7 of chapter 94C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (h), the following new  
3 subsection:-

4 ( i ) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, only a dentist, nurse,  
5 physician, podiatrist, perfusionist, optometrist or veterinarian licensed as a professional by  
6 chapter 112 of the General Laws, or any student enrolled in a course of study for said profession  
7 acting under the supervision of said licensed person and in accordance with the General Laws,  
8 may administer any controlled substance in schedule II, III , IV, V or VI of Section 3 of chapter  
9 94C of the General Laws. This shall not be construed to prohibit the following:

10 (1) self-administration

- 11 (2) administration of epinephrine pens in an emergency;
- 12 (3) administration of controlled substances by emergency medical system personnel or
- 13 (4) administration of controlled substances by any ill, injured or infirm person's domestic
- 14 partner or family member(s).

15 For the purposes of this section, "self-administration" shall include the ability of any ill,

16 injured or infirm person who has sufficient understanding of their prescribed controlled

17 substance(s); the indications and contraindications for such controlled substance(s); a

18 recollection of the administration schedule for such controlled substance(s) and an ability to

19 communicate this knowledge and the experienced effect of having taken a controlled substance,

20 to supervise an unlicensed person in the direct administration of such controlled substance(s) to

21 them.