

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2322**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Elizabeth A. Malia*

*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 emergency and disaster planning for health care providers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/19/2017</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	

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By Ms. Malia of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2322) of Elizabeth A. Malia and Mathew Muratore for legislation to exempt health care providers from liability when rendering certain emergency care. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1474 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to emergency and disaster planning for health care providers.

*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 12B of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new paragraph:-

3           No health care provider, as defined in section 1 of chapter 111 or a health care provider  
4 licensed under chapter 112, shall be further liable in a suit for damages or administrative  
5 sanctions as a result of good-faith acts or omissions while engaged in the performance of their  
6 duties in rendering emergency care, treatment, advice, or assistance during a federal, state, or  
7 local disaster or emergency situation, including but not limited to public health emergencies.