

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James M. Murphy and David K. Muradian, Jr.

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 establishing a balanced cannabis task force advisory board.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
James M. Murphy	4th Norfolk	1/20/2017
David K. Muradian, Jr.	9th Worcester	1/20/2017
Bruce J. Ayers	1st Norfolk	

By Messrs. Murphy of Weymouth and Muradian of Grafton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3192) of James M. Murphy, David K. Muradian, Jr. and Bruce J. Ayers for legislation to establish a cannabis task force advisory board (including members of the General Court) to make recommendations on the regulation of marijuana and marijuana products. Marijuana Policy.

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

An Act establishing a balanced cannabis task force advisory board.

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: Chapter 334 of the Acts of 2016 is hereby amended by striking out

2 SECTION 3, subsection 77(a), and inserting in place thereof the following section :-

3 "There shall be a Cannabis Task Force Advisory Board to study and make

4 recommendation on the regulation of marijuana and marijuana products. The board shall consist

5 of 17 members: 2 Appointees from the Governor's Office, 2 members of the senate, 1 of whom

6 shall be appointed by the Senate President, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader,

7 1 of whom shall act as co-chairperson; 2 members of the house of representatives, 1 of whom

8 shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be appointed

9 by the minority leader 1, 1 of whom shall act as co-chairperson; 1 appointee from the

10 Department of Revenue, 1 appointee from the Attorney General's Office, 1 from the Treasurer's

11 Office, 2 experts in public health (1 from the Department of Public Health, 1 Physician with

12	treatment experience in medical marijuana), 1 registered medical marijuana patient, 2 experts in
13	law enforcement, 2 attorneys with experience providing legal services to marijuana businesses
14	and 1 expert in marijuana product manufacturing The cannabis Advisory Task Force shall
15	consider:
16	(a) Regulatory Framework
17	(b) Local Authority and Control
18	(c) Tax, Funding and Civil Law
19	(d) Consumer Safety and Social Issues
20	(e) Criminal Law
21	The special task force shall make recommendations, including proposed amendments to
22	chapter 334 of the Acts of 2016 and shall file its recommendations, including any proposed
23	legislation, with the clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives no later than 6 months
24	after the enactment of this legislation."