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HOUSE . . . . . No. 3206

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Shawn Dooley

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 providing for the treatment of overdose victims.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Shawn Dooley	*9th Norfolk*	*1/19/2017*
Timothy R. Whelan	*1st Barnstable*	*1/19/2017*
Shaunna L. O'Connell	*3rd Bristol*	*1/19/2017*

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By Mr. Dooley of Norfolk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3206) of Shawn Dooley, Timothy R. Whelan and Shaunna L. O'Connell relative to opiate-related overdose treatment. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for the treatment of overdose victims.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 51 1/2 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 32 of chapter 52 of the acts of 2016, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (d) the following subsection:-

(d ½) A person presenting in an acute-care hospital or a satellite emergency facility who is reasonably believed by the treating clinician to be experiencing an opiate-related overdose, and who has experienced at least 1 other opiate-related overdose or potential overdose within a 30 day period, may be held, at the treating clinician's discretion, for a period up to 72 hours for treatment, evaluation, and counseling.