

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3247**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***John J. Lawn, 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 relative to the safe treatment of pain.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/20/2017</i>
<i>Solomon Goldstein-Rose</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>

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By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3247) of John J. Lawn, Jr., and others relative to further regulating the practice of acupuncture. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to the safe treatment of pain.

*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 148 of Chapter 112 of the General Laws shall be amended by  
2 adding in the second paragraph after the word “function.”, the following language:

3           “Any insertion of a filiform/metal needle for therapeutic purpose into a body constitutes  
4 the practice of acupuncture.”