

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3597**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Daniel Cullinane***

*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 eliminating discrimination in blood donations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Daniel Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/19/2017</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>	
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>	
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>	
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>	
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>	
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>	
<i>Julian Cyr</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>	

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By Mr. Cullinane of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3597) of Daniel Cullinane and others relative to discrimination in blood donations. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to eliminating discrimination in blood donations.

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

1 Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 Section 237. Any person that maintains blood donor facilities or provides blood donation  
3 services to the public shall not discriminate on the basis of sex, gender or sexual orientation;  
4 provided, however that such person may require proof of a negative human immunodeficiency  
5 virus (HIV) test result prior to accepting blood donations. Upon providing such proof a donor  
6 shall be allowed to donate blood. For the purposes of this section the term “blood donation”  
7 shall mean whole blood donation, platelet donation or plasma donation.