

HOUSE No. 795

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Denise C. Garlick

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 strengthening the penalty for assault or assault and battery on an emergency medical technician, ambulance operator, ambulance attendant or health care provider.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>Denise C. Garlick</i> | <i>13th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Bruce J. Ayers</i> | <i>1st Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Jennifer E. Benson</i> | <i>37th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Michelle M. DuBois</i> | <i>10th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Josh S. Cutler</i> | <i>6th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Susan Williams Gifford</i> | <i>2nd Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Patricia A. Haddad</i> | <i>5th Bristol</i> |
| <i>Robert M. Koczera</i> | <i>11th Bristol</i> |
| <i>Richard J. Ross</i> | <i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Sarah K. Peake</i> | <i>4th Barnstable</i> |
| <i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i> | <i>4th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Timothy R. Whelan</i> | <i>1st Barnstable</i> |
| <i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i> | <i>2nd Barnstable</i> |
| <i>F. Jay Barrows</i> | <i>1st Bristol</i> |
| <i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i> | <i>12th Hampden</i> |
| <i>Thomas M. Stanley</i> | <i>9th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Jack Lewis</i> | <i>7th Middlesex</i> |

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| <i>Daniel M. Donahue</i> | <i>16th Worcester</i> |
| <i>James J. Dwyer</i> | <i>30th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Mathew Muratore</i> | <i>1st Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Diana DiZoglio</i> | <i>14th Essex</i> |
| <i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i> | <i>1st Worcester</i> |
| <i>James R. Miceli</i> | <i>19th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Marjorie C. Decker</i> | <i>25th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Hannah Kane</i> | <i>11th Worcester</i> |
| <i>Steven Ultrino</i> | <i>33rd Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Brian M. Ashe</i> | <i>2nd Hampden</i> |
| <i>Keiko M. Orrall</i> | <i>12th Bristol</i> |
| <i>Louis L. Kafka</i> | <i>8th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Daniel Cullinane</i> | <i>12th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Chris Walsh</i> | <i>6th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Mike Connolly</i> | <i>26th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Thomas J. Calter</i> | <i>12th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Gerard Cassidy</i> | <i>9th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Carmine L. Gentile</i> | <i>13th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>David F. DeCoste</i> | <i>5th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Joan B. Lovely</i> | <i>Second Essex</i> |
| <i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i> | <i>28th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Sean Garballey</i> | <i>23rd Middlesex</i> |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> |
| <i>Stephan Hay</i> | <i>3rd Worcester</i> |
| <i>Brendan P. Crighton</i> | <i>11th Essex</i> |
| <i>Walter F. Timilty</i> | <i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i> | <i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i> | <i>1st Berkshire</i> |
| <i>Julian Cyr</i> | <i>Cape and Islands</i> |
| <i>John C. Velis</i> | <i>4th Hampden</i> |
| <i>Jonathan D. Zlotnik</i> | <i>2nd Worcester</i> |
| <i>Susannah M. Whipps</i> | <i>2nd Franklin</i> |
| <i>John H. Rogers</i> | <i>12th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>James J. O'Day</i> | <i>14th Worcester</i> |
| <i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i> | <i>3rd Bristol</i> |
| <i>Tackey Chan</i> | <i>2nd Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Nick Collins</i> | <i>4th Suffolk</i> |

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By Ms. Garlick of Needham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 795) of Denise C. Garlick and others relative to the penalty for assault or assault and battery on an emergency medical technician, ambulance operator, ambulance attendant or health care provider. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act strengthening the penalty for assault or assault and battery on an emergency medical technician, ambulance operator, ambulance attendant or health care provider.

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 13I of Chapter 265 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2016
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 4, the words "treating or transporting
3 a person".

4 SECTION 2. Section 13I of Chapter 265 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2016
5 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 5 and 6, the words "house of
6 correction for not less than 90 days nor more than 2 and one-half years or by a fine of not less
7 than \$500 nor more than \$5,000, or both." and inserting in place thereof the following words:
8 "state prison for not more than five years, or by imprisonment in a jail or house of correction for
9 not more than two and one-half years."