

SENATE No. 1113

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 regional navigators for substance abuse treatment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/28/2017</i>

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1113) of Bruce E. Tarr and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation relative to regional navigators for substance abuse treatment. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

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

An Act relative to regional navigators for substance abuse treatment.

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. Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, the department
2 of public health shall develop a plan to implement regional navigators within cities and towns in
3 geographically diverse areas of the Commonwealth to assist individuals seeking treatment for
4 drug and/or alcohol addiction. Regional navigators shall be available to direct those seeking
5 treatment to resources that can assist in identifying treatment options or providing treatment.