

SENATE No. 1229

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia Stone Creem

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 to establish a medical dosimetrist commission.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Cynthia Stone Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Middlesex and Norfolk

SENATE No. 1229

By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1229) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to establish a medical dosimetrist commission. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act to establish a medical dosimetrist commission.

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. A commission is hereby established to perform a study relative to licensure
2 or certification of medical dosimetrists and to issue a report with recommendations. The
3 commission shall consist of 3 members of the senate: 1 who shall be appointed by the senate
4 president, 1 who shall be the senate chair of the joint committee on public health or a designee
5 and 1 who shall be appointed by the senate minority leader; 3 members of the house of
6 representatives: 1 who shall be appointed by the speaker of the house, 1 who shall be the house
7 chair of the joint committee on public health and 1 who shall be appointed by the house minority
8 leader; 7 members who shall be appointed by the governor, including the Commissioner of
9 Public Health or designee who shall serve as chair, 3 medical dosimetrists who have practiced in
10 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for a minimum of seven years, 2 physicians licensed and
11 practicing in a radiation therapy subspecialty under the provisions of MGL Chapter 112, and 1
12 representative of a patient advocacy organization.

13 The special commission shall study the advisability of creating licensure or certification
14 requirements for those individuals who are practicing dosimetry in the Commonwealth.

15 The special commission may conduct public hearings to gather information. The
16 department of public health may provide staff and other resources to the commission as the
17 commission and the department consider appropriate.

18 The commission shall make its final report and recommendations, which may include
19 guidelines for full licensure and conditional licensing of dosimetrists, if any, together with drafts
20 of legislation necessary to implement such recommendations, by filing the same with the joint
21 committee on public health not later than December 31, 2020. The special commission may
22 make such interim reports as it considers appropriate.