

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2425**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Dean A. Tran***

*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 emergency insulin access.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                              | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:                |                   |
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| <i>Dean A. Tran</i>                | <i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>   |                   |
| <i>Alan Silvia</i>                 | <i>7th Bristol</i>               | <i>10/17/2019</i> |
| <i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>     | <i>2nd Barnstable</i>            | <i>10/17/2019</i> |
| <i>Kevin G. Honan</i>              | <i>17th Suffolk</i>              | <i>10/17/2019</i> |
| <i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>         | <i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>      | <i>10/18/2019</i> |
| <i>John Barrett, III</i>           | <i>1st Berkshire</i>             | <i>10/18/2019</i> |
| <i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>           | <i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>     | <i>10/18/2019</i> |
| <i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i> | <i>17th Worcester</i>            | <i>10/18/2019</i> |
| <i>Colleen M. Garry</i>            | <i>36th Middlesex</i>            | <i>10/18/2019</i> |
| <i>Nika C. Elugardo</i>            | <i>15th Suffolk</i>              | <i>10/25/2019</i> |
| <i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>        | <i>1st Middlesex</i>             | <i>10/25/2019</i> |
| <i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>           | <i>1st Barnstable</i>            | <i>10/25/2019</i> |
| <i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>         | <i>12th Plymouth</i>             | <i>10/28/2019</i> |
| <i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>             | <i>14th Middlesex</i>            | <i>10/29/2019</i> |
| <i>Peter Capano</i>                | <i>11th Essex</i>                | <i>10/29/2019</i> |
| <i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>               | <i>First Essex and Middlesex</i> | <i>11/14/2019</i> |
| <i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>      | <i>4th Plymouth</i>              | <i>12/11/2019</i> |
| <i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>           | <i>18th Worcester</i>            | <i>12/17/2019</i> |

*Denise Provost*

*27th Middlesex*

*12/19/2019*

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By Mr. Tran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2425) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dean A. Tran, Alan Silvia, William L. Crocker, Jr., Kevin G. Honan and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to emergency insulin access. Public Health.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to emergency insulin access.

*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. Chapter 112 of the general laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 12D the following new section:-

3 Section 12D1/2. (a) For the purposes of this section, "Emergency situation" shall mean an  
4 event in which authorization for the dispensing of insulin may not be readily obtained from the  
5 practitioner.

6 (b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in an emergency situation,  
7 a pharmacist may: (1) dispense up to a seventy-two hour supply of insulin, or (2) dispense  
8 greater than a seventy-two hour supply of insulin if the standard unit of dispensing for the drug  
9 exceeds a seventy-two hour supply.

10 (c) The commissioner of the department of public health shall promulgate rules and  
11 regulations necessary for the implementation of this section.

12 SECTION 2. Section 17G of chapter 32A of the general laws is hereby amended by  
13 inserting after the word "insulin" in line 12, the following:- "including insulin dispensed in an  
14 emergency situation in accordance with section 12E of chapter 112 of the general laws".

15 SECTION 3. Section 10C of chapter 118E of the general laws is hereby amended by  
16 inserting after the word "insulin" in line 11, the following:- "including insulin dispensed in an  
17 emergency situation in accordance with section 12E of chapter 112 of the general laws".

18 SECTION 4. Section 47N of chapter 175 of the general laws is hereby amended by  
19 inserting after the word "insulin" in line 20, the following:- "including insulin dispensed in an  
20 emergency situation in accordance with section 12E of chapter 112 of the general laws".

21 SECTION 5. Section 8P of chapter 176A of the general laws is hereby amended by  
22 inserting after the word "insulin" in line 19, the following:- "including insulin dispensed in an  
23 emergency situation in accordance with section 12E of chapter 112 of the general laws".

24 SECTION 6. Section 4S of chapter 176B of the general laws is hereby amended by  
25 inserting after the word "insulin" in line 19, the following:- "including insulin dispensed in an  
26 emergency situation in accordance with section 12E of chapter 112 of the general laws".

27 SECTION 7. Section 4H of chapter 176G of the general laws is hereby amended by  
28 inserting after the word "insulin" in line 16, the following:- "including insulin dispensed in an  
29 emergency situation in accordance with section 12E of chapter 112 of the general laws".