

HOUSE No. 1317

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul F. Tucker

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 same day drug testing.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul F. Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>1/21/2021</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>2/5/2021</i>

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By Mr. Tucker of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1317) of Paul F. Tucker and Timothy R. Whelan that the Division of Medical Assistance practices allow for definitive drug tests to be billed on the same day as presumptive drug tests when medically necessary. Health Care Financing.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to same day drug testing.

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 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2017 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:-

3 Section 78. Same Day Drug Testing – Presumptive and Definitive

4 The Division of Medical Assistance shall ensure that current regulations, bulletins and
5 practices allow for definitive drug tests to be billed on the same day as presumptive drug tests
6 (drug screens) when medically necessary for managing a patient’s treatment in outpatient pain
7 management or substance abuse treatment settings. The policy shall be consistent with
8 American Medical Association and CMS HCPCS coding and may include but not be limited to
9 establishing preferred providers, setting educational requirements for providers and
10 differentiating among provider types.