

HOUSE No. 2403

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jon Santiago

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 sharps stewardship program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jon Santiago</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/11/2021</i>
<i>Chynah Tyler</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Mr. Santiago of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2403) of Jon Santiago and others relative to the definition of "covered drug" under the program financed by pharmaceutical product manufacturers or groups of manufacturers to collect, secure, transport and safely dispose of unwanted drugs. Public Health.

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

An Act to establish a sharps stewardship program.

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 1 of chapter 94H of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
2 amended

3 by striking out the second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following
4 paragraph:-

5 "Covered drug", any brand name or generic opioid drug placed in Schedule II or
6 Schedule III of

7 section 3 of chapter 94C; provided, however, that "covered drug" shall also include

8 benzodiazepines; provided, further, that "covered drug" shall not include: (i) drugs

9 intended for

10 use solely in veterinary care; (ii) substances that are regulated as cosmetic products under
11 the
12 United States Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, 21 U.S.C. § 301 et seq.; or (iii) drugs that
13 are
14 compounded under a specialty license pursuant to sections 39G to 39J, inclusive, of
15 chapter 112.

16 SECTION 2. Section 55 of chapter 52 of the acts of 2016, as amended by section 6 of
17 chapter
18 351 of the acts of 2016, is hereby repealed.

19 SECTION 3. Section 77 of chapter 52 of the acts of 2016, is hereby repealed.