

SENATE No. 1082

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Susan L. Moran

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 ensure access to medical cannabis for visiting qualifying patients.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Susan L. Moran</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>	
<i>Lindsay N. Sadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/8/2023</i>
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Hampden</i>	<i>6/14/2023</i>
<i>Marcus S. Vaughn</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>7/12/2023</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>7/17/2023</i>

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By Ms. Moran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1082) of Susan L. Moran, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to ensure access to medical cannabis for visiting qualifying patients. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act to ensure access to medical cannabis for visiting qualifying patients.

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 2 of Chapter 369 of the Acts of 2012 is hereby amended by adding
2 the following definition:-

3 “Visiting qualifying patient”, a person who resides in another jurisdiction within the
4 United States that authorizes the medical use of marijuana who possesses a valid medical
5 marijuana certification from that other jurisdiction and photographic identification or a driver's
6 license from that jurisdiction.

7 SECTION 2. Chapter 369 of the Acts of 2012 is hereby amended by inserting, after
8 section 17, the following section:-

9 Section 18. Visiting qualifying patients

10 A visiting qualifying patient as defined in section 2 shall be afforded all the rights and
11 protections granted to a qualifying patient under this act, provided, however, that section 11 of
12 this act shall never apply to a visiting qualifying patient.