

SENATE No. 847

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Rebecca L. Rausch

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 support college students in recovery.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Russell E. Holmes</i>	<i>6th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/1/2023</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2023</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2023</i>
<i>Ryan M. Hamilton</i>	<i>15th Essex</i>	<i>2/2/2023</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>2/2/2023</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2023</i>
<i>Lydia Edwards</i>	<i>Third Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2023</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/9/2023</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>	<i>2/28/2023</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>	<i>3/29/2023</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>3/29/2023</i>

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By Ms. Rausch, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 847) of Rebecca L. Rausch, Russell E. Holmes, David F. DeCoste, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation to support college students in recovery. Higher Education.

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

An Act to support college students in recovery.

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 15A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 45 the
2 following section:-

3 Section 46. (a) Each public institution of higher education that provides housing for
4 students shall establish a college campus recovery-focused housing program to provide an
5 alcohol and drug-free environment for students recovering from substance use disorder. This
6 program shall provide services including, but not limited to, trauma informed on-site counseling,
7 mentoring, and peer support. (b) Each public institution of higher education shall provide
8 overdose training to all students, faculty, and staff and shall make naloxone available for the
9 purpose of treating overdoses, as appropriate.