

SENATE No. 1349

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John J. Cronin

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 healthcare worker and first responder safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

John J. Cronin

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Worcester and Middlesex

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By Mr. Cronin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1349) of John J. Cronin for legislation relative to healthcare worker and first responder safety and HIV testing. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1455 OF 2021-2022.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to healthcare worker and first responder safety.

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 70F of chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 adding, after line 11, the following paragraph:-

3 Notwithstanding the above, if a healthcare provider, first responder, police officer, fire
4 official, prison guard, or other public officer in the line of duty comes in contact with the blood
5 or bodily fluid of a patient or person who may be infected, such tests may be performed and the
6 result made known to the person who may have been infected despite the inability or refusal of
7 the patient or person to give written consent.