

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2457**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bradley H. Jones, Jr.***

*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 fentanyl testing.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2025</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/17/2025</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2025</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>3/10/2025</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/30/2025</i>

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By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2457) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to fentanyl testing during certain urine drug screenings at acute care hospitals. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to fentanyl 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 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after 244 the following new section:-

3 SECTION 245. Fentanyl testing

4 (a) If a person is treated at a general acute care hospital and the hospital conducts a urine  
5 drug screening to assist in diagnosing the patient’s condition, the hospital shall include testing  
6 for fentanyl in the urine drug screening.

7 (b) As used in this section, “urine drug screening” means a chemical analysis intended to  
8 test patients for the presence of multiple drugs, including cocaine, opioids, and phencyclidine.

9 (c) The department of public health is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate or  
10 revise any regulations necessary to implement the testing requirements outlined above.