

HOUSE No. 5243

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas M. Stanley

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 medication administration in rest homes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/11/2026</i>
<i>John J. Marsi</i>	<i>6th Worcester</i>	<i>2/13/2026</i>
<i>James C. Arena-DeRosa</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/13/2026</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>	<i>2/18/2026</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>2/18/2026</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>	<i>2/19/2026</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/19/2026</i>

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By Representative Stanley of Waltham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Thomas M. Stanley, John J. Marsi and James C. Arena-DeRosa relative to medication administration in rest homes. Aging and Independence.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to medication administration in rest homes.

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 7 of Chapter 94C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting the following subsection:-

3 "(k) The commissioner shall promulgate regulations which provide for the registration of
4 rest homes that are duly licensed pursuant to section 71 of Chapter 111, to permit Responsible
5 Persons who are employed by the rest home to administer medication to residents who are not
6 self-administering."