

SENATE No. 247

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Keenan

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 the continuing education of podiatrists.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

John F. Keenan

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Plymouth

SENATE No. 247

By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 247) of John F. Keenan for legislation to increase the number of continuing education hours of podiatrists. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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

An Act relative to the continuing education of podiatrists.

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 16 of Chapter 112 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence of the first paragraph, as so appearing, and
3 inserting in place thereof the following new sentence:-

4 “Every such certificate shall expire on the last day of the year for which it was granted,
5 and said certificate may be renewed for the subsequent year without examination upon the
6 payment of a renewal fee; provided, however, that said podiatrist shall present satisfactory
7 evidence to the board that, in the preceding year, the podiatrist completed at least twenty two
8 hours of continuing education; and provided further, that the board may exempt from this
9 requirement those licensees who submit satisfactory proof that they were unable to attend an
10 approved educational conference or program due to illness or other good cause.”