

HOUSE No. 2396

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 treatment for substance abuse.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2396) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to substance abuse treatment. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to treatment for substance abuse.

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 51 ½ of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as inserted by Chapter
2 52 of the Acts of 2016, is hereby amended by striking subsection (d) in its entirety and inserting
3 the following thereof:-

4 “(d) If a person has received a substance evaluation and returns to an acute care hospital
5 or emergency satellite facility within seven days of receipt of such evaluation suffering from an
6 opiate-related overdose or has recently been administered naloxone, the attending physician may
7 authorize the restraint of such person and apply for the treatment of such person for a 3-day
8 period at a facility authorized for such purposes by the department of public health or the
9 department of mental health.”