

HOUSE No. 3177

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Hannah Kane

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 further regulating the manufacture and sale of certain commercial marijuana products.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. Lyons, Jr.</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>David M. Nangle</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>

Thomas M. Stanley

9th Middlesex

John C. Velis

4th Hampden

Susannah M. Whipps

2nd Franklin

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By Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3177) of Hannah Kane and others for legislation to further regulate the manufacturing and sales of certain commercial marijuana products. Marijuana Policy.

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

An Act further regulating the manufacture and sale of certain commercial marijuana products.

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. Chapter 94G of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 14 the following section:-

3 Section 15. The commissioner of the department of public health shall investigate the
4 effects of marijuana and marijuana products with a high potency of tetrahydrocannabinol on the
5 human body. As part of its investigation, the secretary shall make a recommendation on (i)
6 whether there should be restrictions on the potency of tetrahydrocannabinol in marijuana and
7 marijuana products; and (ii) a recommendation of what that restriction may be.

8 The secretary shall file a report of its findings and recommendations with the clerks of
9 the house of representatives and the senate, the chairs of the house and senate committees on
10 ways and means, the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on public health, the house
11 and senate chairs of the joint committee on consumer protection and professional licensure and

12 the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on marijuana not later than September 1,
13 2017.

14 SECTION 2. Subsection (b) of section 10 of chapter 334 of the acts of 2016 is hereby
15 amended by striking out the words “,marijuana product manufacturer”

16 SECTION 3. Subsection (c) of section 10 of said chapter 334 is hereby amended by
17 striking out the words “,marijuana product manufacturer”

18 SECTION 4. Subsection (d) of section 10 of said chapter 334 is hereby amended by
19 striking out the words “or for marijuana product manufacturer,”

20 SECTION 5. (a) The cannabis control commission established in section 76 of chapter 10
21 of the General Laws shall not issue a license for a marijuana product manufacturer as defined in
22 section 1 of chapter 94G of the General Laws until 2 years after it issues its first license for a
23 marijuana retailer as defined in section 1 of chapter 94G.

24 (b) Marijuana retailers shall be prohibited from selling marijuana products other than
25 marijuana flower except as directed by the cannabis control commission.

26 (c) The cannabis control commission shall make a determination of what marijuana
27 products, other than marijuana flower, may be manufactured by marijuana product
28 manufacturers and sold by marijuana retailers after the 2 year period described in subsection (a).
29 Any determination shall be made on the basis of public safety, any federal compliance issues and
30 the report relative to the effects of marijuana and marijuana products with a high amount of
31 tetrahydrocannabinol by volume on the human body as determined by the commissioner of the

32 department of public health. Such determination made by the cannabis control commission shall
33 be filed in a report made available to the public.

34 If the cannabis control commission determines that a marijuana product other than
35 marijuana flower may be sold, the commission may issue licenses for marijuana product
36 manufacturers 30 days after publishing the report.