

HOUSE No. 1315

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Denise C. Garlick

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 public health volunteer responders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Eileen M. Donoghue</i>	<i>First Middlesex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>

<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>Barbara L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Garlick of Needham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1315) of Denise C. Garlick and others relative to liability for the medical costs incurred by public health volunteer responders. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to public health volunteer responders.

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, is hereby amended by inserting after Section 25P the
2 following section:-

3 SECTION 25Q. All Massachusetts medical reserve corps volunteers shall demonstrate
4 proof of medical insurance coverage as required by Massachusetts law. In the absence of any
5 other protections provided by law, whenever activated for duty, members of the voluntary
6 registry shall not incur any personal liability for the medical costs incurred for any injuries
7 sustained as a result of good faith acts or omissions in the performance of their duties.