

HOUSE No. 1726

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 use disorder.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</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>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1726) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to treatment for substance use disorder at acute-care hospitals or satellite emergency facilities. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to treatment for substance use disorder.

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 appearing in the 2016
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking subsection (d) in its entirety and inserting the
3 following thereof:-

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