

HOUSE No. 1896

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kate D. Campanale

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 access of epinephrine in schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kate D. Campanale</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>
<i>Peter J. Durant</i>	<i>6th Worcester</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Leah Cole</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>

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By Mrs. Campanale of Leicester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1896) of Kate D. Campanale and others for legislation to authorize school bus drivers to administer epinephrine to children suffering from allergic reactions. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act relative to the access of epinephrine in schools.

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.

2 Section 54B of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition,
3 is hereby amended by inserting after the fourth paragraph the following:—

4 Notwithstanding any general or special law or regulation to the contrary, a school district
5 shall allow a parent or legal guardian of any child to expressly authorize the school department
6 and school bus drivers, licensed pursuant to section 8A of chapter 90, to administer epinephrine,
7 by means of an epinephrine auto-injector, to his or her child in the case of an allergic emergency.

8 The parent or legal guardian shall provide either a letter or prescription from the primary care
9 physician of said child notifying the school of the allergy of said child and the need to administer
10 epinephrine in an allergic emergency. The school shall promptly notify the school bus service
11 provider of the allergy of said child and provide a copy of the letter or prescription from said
12 primary care physician.