

HOUSE No. 1969

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas A. Golden, 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 72 hour emergency prescribing.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Nangle</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>
<i>Rady Mom</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>Barbara L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Eileen M. Donoghue</i>	<i>First Middlesex</i>
<i>Leah Cole</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1969) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr. and others relative to the dispensing of controlled substances by emergency room physicians. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3359 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act relative to 72 hour emergency prescribing.

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 94C of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-
- 2 Section 50. A physician practicing in an emergency room shall not be permitted to
- 3 provide to a patient seeking emergency care more than 72 hours worth of a controlled substance
- 4 as defined by this chapter.