

HOUSE No. 1993

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jay R. Kaufman

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 requiring pain assessment and management in healthcare facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jay R. Kaufman</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Marcos A. Devers</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>

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By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1993) of Jay R. Kaufman and others for legislation to require pain assessment and management in health care facilities. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2002 OF 2013-2014.]

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

An Act requiring pain assessment and management in healthcare facilities.

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 70E of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after subsection (o) the following new
3 subsection:-

4 (p) to prompt assessment, management and treatment of his or her pain that respects the
5 patient’s individual needs and to periodic reassessment and modification of the pain management
6 plan, if necessary.