

HOUSE No. 2060

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to optometrists scope of practice.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Thomas A. Golden, Jr.	16th Middlesex
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Patricia A. Haddad	5th Bristol
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Robert L. Rice, Jr.	2nd Worcester
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Kevin J. Murphy	18th Middlesex
Allen J. McCarthy	7th Plymouth
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2105 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO OPTOMETRISTS SCOPE OF PRACTICE.

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 66B of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting, in the first paragraph, after the words “except for those listed in
3 schedule” and inserting after the following new words: “III through”

4 SECTION 2. Section 66B of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition,
5 is hereby amended by striking the last sentence in its entirety and inserting the following new sentence:

6 “For the purposes of this section and section 68B, the term “therapeutic pharmaceutical agents” shall
7 mean those pharmaceutical agents required for the diagnosis, prevention, management or treatment of
8 abnormal ocular conditions or diseases.”