HOUSE No. 2322

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Malia

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 emergency and disaster planning for health care providers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk
Mathew Muratore	1st Plymouth

FILED ON: 1/19/2017

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By Ms. Malia of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2322) of Elizabeth A. Malia and Mathew Muratore for legislation to exempt health care providers from liability when rendering certain emergency care. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1474 OF 2015-2016.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court (2017-2018)

An Act relative to emergency and disaster planning for health care providers.

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 12B of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new paragraph:-
- No health care provider, as defined in section 1 of chapter 111 or a health care provider
- 4 licensed under chapter 112, shall be further liable in a suit for damages or administrative
- 5 sanctions as a result of good-faith acts or omissions while engaged in the performance of their
- duties in rendering emergency care, treatment, advice, or assistance during a federal, state, or
- 7 local disaster or emergency situation, including but not limited to public health emergencies.