

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1039**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*John F. Keenan*

*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 discharge of persons incompetent to stand trial.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*John F. Keenan*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Norfolk and Plymouth*

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By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1039) of John F. Keenan for legislation relative to the discharge of persons incompetent to stand trial. Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 918 OF 2013-2014.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to the discharge of persons incompetent to stand trial.

*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 16 of chapter 123 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in subsection (e), by striking the words "jurisdiction of the  
3 criminal case." in line 63, and inserting in place thereof the following:-

4           "jurisdiction of the criminal case; provided that, notwithstanding any laws or regulations  
5 to the contrary, the superintendent or medical director shall at this time also provide information  
6 to said district attorney regarding the intended placement of the person, or the residential address  
7 to which that person shall return upon their discharge; provided further that placement or address  
8 information provided pursuant to this section shall not be subject to section 10 of chapter 66 of  
9 the General Laws."