

SENATE No. 122

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Susan L. Moran

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 to support children with neonatal abstinence syndrome.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Susan L. Moran</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>	
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/23/2023</i>

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By Ms. Moran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 122) of Susan L. Moran, Joanne M. Comerford, Michael O. Moore and Mathew J. Muratore for legislation to support children with neonatal abstinence syndrome. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act to support children with neonatal abstinence syndrome.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary the
2 commissioner of the department of development services shall include neonatal abstinence
3 syndrome under the definition of Closely Related Development Conditions as defined under 115
4 CMR 2.00 and 115 CMR 6.06(1).

5 SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 123B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
6 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following
7 paragraph:-

8 The department shall promulgate regulations to facilitate interagency coordination to
9 achieve continuity of care, access to health care, and other services to improve social
10 determinants of health for those aging out of care eligibility with the department of
11 developmental services detailed in the transition provision of Children’s Supports.