

SENATE No. 1535

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Walter F. Timilty

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 resolve:

Resolve relative to the establishment of a joint oversight committee on personal protective equipment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>3/1/2021</i>
<i>Carol A. Doherty</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>3/1/2021</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>3/9/2021</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>4/13/2021</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>4/13/2021</i>

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By Mr. Timilty, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 1535) of Walter F. Timilty, Michael D. Brady, Carol A. Doherty and Brian M. Ashe for legislation relative to the establishment of a joint oversight committee on personal protective equipment. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

Resolve relative to the establishment of a joint oversight committee on personal protective equipment.

1 **Resolved**, There is hereby established a joint oversight committee on personal protective
2 equipment, hereinafter the committee.

3 The committee shall include the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on public
4 health, who shall serve as co-chairs; 3 members appointed by the speaker of the house of
5 representatives; 3 members appointed by the president of the senate; 1 member appointed by the
6 minority leader of the house; and 1 member appointed by the minority leader of the senate.

7 The committee shall conduct a comprehensive review, which shall include, without
8 limitation: (1) a review to determine the current supplies for personal protective equipment that
9 meet the standards of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) that were in effect on January 1,
10 2020, held by the Commonwealth, acute care hospitals, non-acute hospitals and state operated
11 facilities; (2) a review to determine how the Commonwealth, acute care hospitals, non-acute
12 hospitals and state operated facilities will establish a supply chain and store of at least sixty (60)
13 days of personal protective equipment per the standards in place at the CDC on January 1, 2020.

14 The committee shall conduct immediate public hearings and examine witnesses to
15 acquire all information necessary to discharge its responsibilities.

16 The committee shall file its report on the results of its review and study and its
17 recommendation, if any, together with drafts of legislation if necessary, to carry its
18 recommendation into effect with the Clerks of the House and Senate by April 1, 2021.