

SENATE No. 1557

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia Stone Creem

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 medical examinations in correctional facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Cynthia Stone Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Middlesex and Norfolk

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1557) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation relative to medical examinations in correctional facilities. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1384 OF 2019-2020.]

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

An Act relative to medical examinations in correctional facilities.

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 16 of Chapter 127 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:- During the conduct of any such
3 physical examination or any subsequent medical examination of a female inmate, the presence of
4 a female nurse or female corrections officer shall be required. Nothing in this section shall
5 prohibit the rendering of immediate emergency medical treatment for a potentially life-
6 threatening condition.