

SENATE No. 245

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William N. Brownsberger

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 administration of diabetes medication.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

William N. Brownsberger

Second Suffolk and Middlesex

Jonathan Hecht

29th Middlesex

SENATE No. 245

By Mr. Brownsberger, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 245) of William N. Brownsberger and Jonathan Hecht for legislation relative to the administration of diabetes medication. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to the administration of diabetes medication.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting in section 54B the
2 following new paragraph at the end thereof:-

3 The Department of Education and Department of Public Health shall jointly promulgate
4 regulations, within 180 days of the passage of this act, to allow for training of school employees
5 in the emergency administration of glucagon for students with diabetes. Said regulations shall
6 allow for administration of glucagon by a trained member(s) of the school staff when a nurse is
7 not present and the student exhibits symptoms of severe hypoglycemia. And provided further,
8 that the parent or legal guardian of the student has submitted in writing permission for such
9 emergency treatment to be rendered; and provided further that a member of the school staff who,
10 in good faith, administers glucagon to a student who exhibits symptoms of severe hypoglycemia
11 shall not be held liable in a suit for damages as a result of his acts or omissions, nor shall such
12 person be subject to any disciplinary action for such emergency aid.