HOUSE No. 1895

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Denise C. Garlick and Kate Hogan

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 healthcare worker and first responder safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Denise C. Garlick	13th Norfolk
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
David Allen Robertson	19th Middlesex
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex
Bradford Hill	4th Essex
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Peter Capano	11th Essex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Edward F. Coppinger	10th Suffolk
Michael S. Day	31st Middlesex
David Biele	4th Suffolk
Daniel R. Cullinane	12th Suffolk
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Richard M. Haggerty	30th Middlesex
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex

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By Representatives Garlick of Needham and Hogan of Stow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1895) of Denise C. Garlick and others relative to written consent for HLTV 111 tests. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 3240 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act relative to healthcare worker and first responder safety.

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:

- 2 Section 70F of chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding, after line
- 3 11, the following paragraph:-
- 4 Notwithstanding the above, if a healthcare provider, first responder, police officer, fire
- official, prison guard, or other public officer in the line of duty comes in contact with the blood
- or bodily fluid of a patient or person who may be infected, such tests may be performed and the
- 7 result made known to the person who may have been infected despite the inability or refusal of
- 8 the patient or person to give written consent.