

HOUSE No. 2386

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Edward R. Philips

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 improving outcomes for sudden cardiac arrest.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Edward R. Philips</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/18/2021</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/23/2021</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/23/2021</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/23/2021</i>
<i>Jessica Ann Giannino</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Andres X. Vargas</i>	<i>3rd Essex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Jon Santiago</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Adam J. Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Peter Capano</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Steven G. Xiarhos</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Jacob R. Oliveira</i>	<i>7th Hampden</i>	<i>3/2/2021</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>3/4/2021</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>3/11/2021</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>3/11/2021</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>	<i>3/11/2021</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/15/2021</i>

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By Mr. Philips of Sharon, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2386) of Edward R. Philips and others relative to improving outcomes for sudden cardiac arrest. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to improving outcomes for sudden cardiac arrest.

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. Subsection (b) of section 18B of chapter 6A, as so appearing, is hereby
2 amended by striking out the figure "11" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:-
3 "13".

4 SECTION 2. Said subsection (b) of said section 18B of said chapter 6A, as so appearing,
5 is hereby further amended by inserting after the words "Massachusetts Ambulance Association"
6 the following words:- , 1 of whom shall be a physician with a specialty in emergency medicine, 1
7 of whom shall have expertise in regional EMS.

8 SECTION 3. Subsection (g) of said section 18B of said chapter 6A, as so appearing, is
9 hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-

10 The commission shall establish a procedure for monitoring adherence by identified
11 telecommunicators and the governing bodies of identified telecommunicators to the requirements

12 set forth in above subsection and may adjust state grant or shared revenue amounts based on
13 failure to comply with the requirements of this section.

14 SECTION 4. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall, unless the context
15 requires otherwise, have the following meanings:-

16 “Emergency medical dispatcher”, a professional telecommunicator, tasked with the
17 gathering of information related to medical emergencies, the provision of assistance and
18 instructions by voice, prior to the arrival of emergency medical services, and the dispatching and
19 support of EMS resources responding to an emergency call.

20 “Telecommunicator”, a communications worker who receives and transmits information
21 to coordinate operations of other personnel and vehicles carrying out a service

22 Paragraph (3) of section 2 of chapter 111C, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is
23 hereby amended by adding the following clause:-

24 (iii) All 911 telecommunicators that provide dispatch for emergency medical conditions
25 shall be required to be trained utilizing the most current nationally recognized emergency
26 cardiovascular care guidelines, in high-quality Telephone-CPR. The instruction shall incorporate
27 recognition protocols for out of hospital cardiac arrest, compression-only CPR instructions for
28 callers, and continuous education.

29 SECTION 5. Section 12V ½ of chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
30 adding the following in 2 subsections:-

31 (d) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, an AED registry shall be
32 established for the purpose of allowing local 911 telecommunicator to locate accessible AEDs.

33 Any AED used in a public access defibrillation program shall register the device through the
34 AED medical director.

35 (e) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, signage located
36 throughout buildings shall clearly indicate AED locations.

37 SECTION 6. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department
38 of public health shall include sudden cardiac arrest as a reportable disease.