

HOUSE No. 02877

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the location of methadone clinics.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera

10th Hampden

Benjamin Swan

11th Hampden

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By Ms. Coakley-Rivera of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2877) of Swan and Coakley-Rivera for legislation to further regulate the location of methadone clinics in the vicinity of schools Joint Committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
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□ , NO. 1927 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to the location of methadone clinics.

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 40A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended
- 2 by inserting after section 9C the following section:—
- 3 Section 9D. No licensed methadone dispensing facility or clinic shall be located within a radius
- 4 of 1000 feet of the real property line of an elementary, secondary, vocational, public, or private
- 5 school, licensed preschool, or any head start program or within 100 feet of a public park.
- 6 Individuals operating said clinics have 1 year to comply.