

HOUSE No. 3239

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul R. Heroux

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 to improve access to and reporting of pharmacy services in hospitals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Paul R. Heroux

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

2nd Bristol

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By Mr. Heroux of Attleboro, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3239) of Paul R. Heroux for legislation to improve access to pharmacy based services within hospital settings . Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act to improve access to and reporting of pharmacy services in hospitals.

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 (a) of Section 24B ½of chapter 112 of the General laws, as
2 appearing in the 2014 official edition, is hereby amended by inserting after each instance of
3 “supervising physician” the words “, attending physician or attending physician’s designee in the
4 hospital setting”.

5 Section 2: Subpart (1) of subsection (c) of Section 24B½of Chapter 112 of the General
6 laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding after the word “designee;” the following
7 “provided, that a patient’s attending physician or attending physician’s designee may refer a
8 patient to a pharmacist practicing under a collaborative practice agreement overseen by a
9 supervising physician whose scope of practice is in that area of medicine;”

10 Section 3: Clause (6) of subsection (a) of Section 39I of Chapter 112 of the general laws
11 is hereby amended by striking the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following:

12 All institutional sterile compounding pharmacies shall report to the board, on an annual
13 basis, a list of prescriptions dispensed within and outside of the commonwealth, as well as the
14 volume of these prescriptions, with the exception of prescriptions dispensed to individuals for
15 immediate use while receiving inpatient or outpatient care and treatment in the institution during
16 the year.