

HOUSE No. 3631

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mindy Domb

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 expediting the diagnosis and treatment of certain infections.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>

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By Representative Domb of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3631) of Mindy Domb relative to the diagnosis and treatment of certain infections. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act expediting the diagnosis and treatment of certain infections.

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 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 121B the
2 following section:-

3 Section 121C. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the
4 department, in consultation with the board of registration in medicine, shall promulgate
5 regulations authorizing a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner or certified nurse
6 midwife who is authorized under chapter 94C to prescribe and dispense prescription drugs and
7 who diagnoses sexually transmitted infections or diseases in individual patients, to prescribe and
8 dispense such prescription drugs to a patient's sexual partners for the presumptive treatment of
9 sexually transmitted infections or diseases without an examination of the patient's sexual
10 partners, where the department determines such a standard of treatment is medically safe and
11 appropriate.