

SENATE No. 1134

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joseph A. Boncore

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 supervised injection facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Joseph A. Boncore</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>

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By Mr. Boncore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1134) of Joseph A. Boncore and Jack Patrick Lewis for legislation relative to supervised injection facilities. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

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

An Act relative to supervised injection facilities.

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. The department of public health shall evaluate the feasibility of supervised
2 injection facilities to understand the public safety and health impacts of such interventions on
3 communities and persons struggling with addiction. The department shall consult with law
4 enforcement, local health authorities, experts in the field of medicine, addiction, harm reduction
5 and other entities including, but not limited to, the Massachusetts Medical Society and shall
6 consult with domestic and international communities that have implemented such policies. The
7 commissioner of public health shall release the findings of the feasibility study to the chairs of
8 the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery, the chairs of the joint
9 committee on public health, the chairs of the joint committee on the judiciary and the chairs of
10 the senate and house committees on ways and means not later than July 31, 2020.