

SENATE No. 1242

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Diana DiZoglio

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 newborn infant products.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Diana DiZoglio

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex

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By Ms. DiZoglio, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1242) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to products used on newborn infants. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4467 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act relative to newborn infant products.

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 56 the
2 following section:-

3 Section 56A. The Department of Public Health shall promulgate rules and regulations to
4 establish a set of guidelines in relation to the use of products on a newborn infant, in a birth
5 center or birth center facility, that include any of the following chemicals or ingredients: 1,4-
6 dioxane; formaldehyde; fragrance ingredient; nitrosamines; petroleum-based products; parabens;
7 talc; propylene glycol; mineral oil; or triclosan. For the purposes of this section the term
8 “fragrance ingredient” means any intentionally added substance or complex mixture of aroma
9 chemicals, natural essential oils, and other functional ingredient or ingredients for which the sole
10 purpose is to impart an odor or scent, or to counteract an odor.

11 The department shall also promulgate rules and regulations in relation to such centers or
12 facilities providing or offering as gifts, products containing such ingredients to a parent of a
13 newborn infant.