SENATE No. 1490

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael O. Moore

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 smoking cessation agents.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	
Brian W. Murray	10th Worcester	2/24/2021
Tami L. Gouveia	14th Middlesex	3/3/2021

FILED ON: 1/28/2021

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By Mr. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1490) of Michael O. Moore, Brian W. Murray and Tami L. Gouveia for legislation relative to smoking cessation agents. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1310 OF 2019-2020.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act relative to smoking cessation agents.

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 94C of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 19D the
- 2 following section:-
- 3 Section 19E. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, a licensed pharmacist may dispense
- 4 Smoking Cessation Agents in accordance with written, standardized procedures or protocols
- 5 developed by an actively practicing physician registered with the commissioner to distribute or
- 6 dispense a controlled substance in the course of professional practice pursuant to section 7 if
- such procedures or protocols are filed at the pharmacist's place of practice and with the board of
- 8 registration in pharmacy before implementation.

(b) Before dispensing Smoking Cessation Agents authorized under this section, a pharmacist shall complete a training program approved by the commissioner, which shall include but not be limited to proper documentation, quality assurance, and referral to additional services, including appropriate recommendation that the patient follow-up with a medical practitioner.

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(c) The department of public health, board of registration in medicine, and board of
registration in pharmacy shall adopt regulations to implement this section.