

**SENATE . . . . . No. 50**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Ryan C. Fattman*

*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 further defining eligibility for medical use marijuana.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Hampden</i>	
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>1/30/2023</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/7/2023</i>

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By Mr. Fattman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 50) of Ryan C. Fattman, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to further defining eligibility for medical use marijuana. Cannabis Policy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act further defining eligibility for medical use marijuana.

*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. Section 1 of chapter 94I of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out lines 20 through 25 and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following:-

4           “Debilitating medical condition”, cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human  
5 immunodeficiency virus, acquired immune deficiency syndrome, hepatitis C, amyotrophic lateral  
6 sclerosis, Crohn's disease, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, post-traumatic stress disorder,  
7 opioid use disorder, and other conditions as determined in writing by a registered qualifying  
8 patient's registered healthcare professional.

9           SECTION 2. Said section 1 of said chapter 94I of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
10 hereby further amended by striking out lines 84 through 86 and inserting in place thereof the  
11 following:-

12           “Qualifying patient”, (1) a person who has been diagnosed by a registered healthcare  
13 professional as having a debilitating medical condition, or (2) a veteran receiving their health  
14 care at a federal Veterans Administration facility provides their Veterans Administration "Blue  
15 Button Report Problem List" indicating an existing debilitating medical condition to the  
16 commission.