

**SENATE . . . . . No. 00985**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

*John Hart, Jr.*

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*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act regulating the siting of methadone treatment facilities.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*John Hart, Jr.*

*First Suffolk*

*Michael O. Moore*

*Second Worcester*

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By Mr. Hart, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 985) of Moore and Hart for legislation to regulate the siting of methadone treatment facilities [Joint Committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ SENATE  
□ , NO. 742 OF 2009-2010.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act regulating the siting of methadone treatment facilities.

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*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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary  
2 and in addition to the regulations promulgated by the Department of Public Health, no  
3 methadone treatment facility shall be allowed to operate until approval has been received by the  
4 legislative body of the city or town in which it seeks to be sited on a permanent or temporary  
5 basis