

**SENATE . . . . . No. 00992**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

*Steven A. Tolman*

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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 to eliminate the abuse of controlled-release hydromorphone..

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Steven A. Tolman*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Second Suffolk and Middlesex*

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By Mr. Tolman, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 992) of Tolman for legislation to eliminate the abuse of controlled-release hydromorphone [Joint Committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ SENATE  
□ , NO. 756 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act to eliminate the abuse of controlled-release hydromorphone..

*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. Chapter 94C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 3 the following section:-

3 Section 3A. Notwithstanding sections 2 and 3, any preparation which contains  
4 hydromorphone, including its isomers, esters, ethers, salts and salts of isomers, esters and ethers,  
5 if manufactured so as delay absorption into the blood system, unless the preparation contains 1 or  
6 more active nonnarcotic ingredients in recognized therapeutic amounts, shall be in schedule I.

7 SECTION 2. Section 31 of said chapter 94C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
8 hereby amended by inserting after line 85, the following paragraph:-

9           Any preparation, which contains hydromorphone, including its isomers, esters, ethers,  
10 salts and salts of isomers, esters and ethers, if manufactured so as delay absorption into the blood  
11 system, unless the preparation contains 1 or more active nonnarcotic ingredients in recognized  
12 therapeutic amounts.