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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ronald Mariano

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:

An Act relating to medical malpractice liability of health professionals in emergency response.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Ronald Mariano	*3rd Norfolk*
Thomas P. Conroy	*13th Middlesex*
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	*34th Middlesex*

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By Mr. Mariano of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 467) of Ronald Mariano, Thomas P. Conroy and Carl M. Sciortino, Jr. relative to medical malpractice liability of health professionals in emergency response. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
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, NO. *1520* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act relating to medical malpractice liability of health professionals in emergency response.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Chapter 112 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out section 12C and inserting in place thereof the following section:—

Section 12C. No physician, physician assistant, or nurse administering immunization or other protective programs under public health programs shall be liable in a civil suit for damages as a result of any act or omission on his part in carrying out his duties. No physician, physician assistant, or nurse who is registered by the Commonwealth in the Massachusetts System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals or its successor entity shall be liable in civil suit for damages for any act or omission on his part related to his voluntary participation in any disaster preparedness or response activity.