

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter J. Koutoujian

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 increase patient protections of blood banking operations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Peter J. Koutoujian	10th Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2157 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO INCREASE PATIENT PROTECTIONS OF BLOOD BANKING OPERATIONS.

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 184B of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the
2 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the first paragraph and inserting in place
3 thereof the following paragraph:-

4 No blood bank, so-called, shall be established and maintained in the commonwealth unless so
5 licensed by the department of public health pursuant to regulations promulgated by said
6 department.

7 SECTION 2. The commissioner of the department of public health shall convene an advisory
8 committee of interested parties to assist in the amending of the blood bank, so called,
9 regulations. Said committee shall include the commissioner or his designee, a representative
10 from the Massachusetts Hospital Association, a representative from the Massachusetts Medical
11 Society, a representative from the Board of Registration in Medicine, a representative from the
12 American Red Cross, and such other representatives as the commissioner deems appropriate.