

SENATE No. 1094

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Susan C. Fargo

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 restricting the sale of tobacco products at locations where health professionals are employed.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Susan C. Fargo</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> [District] <input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Jeffrey Sánchez</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>
<i>Richard T. Moore</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> [District] <input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Martha M. Walz</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Fargo, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1094) of Sánchez, Provost, Walz and other members of the General Court for legislation to restrict the sale of tobacco products at locations where health professional are employed [Joint Committee on Public Health].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE

□ □ SENATE
□ , NO. 813 OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act restricting the sale of tobacco products at locations where health professionals are employed.

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 112 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended at the
2 end thereof by inserting after section 61 the following new section:- Section 61A

3 Definitions.

4 "Health care institution" as used in this section shall mean any individual, partnership,
5 association, corporation or trust or any person or group of persons that provides health care
6 services and employs health care providers licensed or subject to licensing by the Massachusetts
7 Department of Health under this chapter. This definition includes but is not limited to hospitals,
8 clinics, health centers, pharmacies, and doctors' and dentists' offices.

9 "Retail establishment" as used in this section shall mean any store that sells goods or
10 articles of personal services to the public.

11 "Tobacco products" as used in this section shall mean any substance containing tobacco
12 leaf, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco and
13 dipping tobacco.

14 (b) Prohibition of Tobacco Sales

15 (1) No health care institution located in Massachusetts shall sell or cause to be sold
16 tobacco products.

17 (2) No retail establishment that operates or has a health care institution within it, shall
18 sell or cause to be sold tobacco products, except that this prohibition shall not apply to buildings
19 or sites where tobacco sales are conducted at a site with separate street entrances which are more
20 than 75 feet from the site where health services are offered, and, where no interior hallways or
21 other passageways provide access to both the health care facility and the site of tobacco sales.

22 (3) The Board of Registration in Medicine and each board of registration within the
23 Division of Health Professions Licensure, including but not limited to the Board of Registration
24 in Nursing, the Board of Registration in Podiatry, the Board of Registration in Pharmacy, the
25 Board of Registration in Optometry, and the Board of Registration of Chiropractors, shall
26 promulgate regulations within 90 days of the effective date of this legislation which prohibit their
27 licensees from working in their professional capacity in any retail establishment where tobacco
28 products are sold or in workspaces leased within or from such retail establishment.

29 Section 2. The Act shall take effect on October 1, 2012.