

HOUSE No. 3234

By Mr. LaFontaine of Gardner, petition of Raymond M. LaFontaine that provision be made for suspension of a physician's license under certain circumstances under the medical malpractice law. Health Care.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Six.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SUSPENSION OF A PHYSICIANS LICENSE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

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 5 of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as inserted by
2 Section 3 of Chapter 362 of the Acts of 1975, is hereby amended
3 by inserting after the third paragraph thereof, the following
4 paragraph: —

5 The board may, without a hearing, suspend or refuse to renew
6 the registration of any physician upon notice of his conviction for
7 a criminal offense, or upon specific finding by the board that such
8 action is warranted by imminent danger to the public health or
9 safety; provided that the board shall afford the physician an
10 opportunity for a hearing within ten days of such suspension or
11 non-renewal of registration. The suspension shall continue in
12 effect until the conclusion of the proceedings, including judicial
13 review thereof, unless sooner dissolved by a court of competent
14 jurisdiction or withdrawn by the board.

