

HOUSE No. 1139

By Mrs. Canavan of Brockton, petition of Christine E. Canavan and Mary Jane Simmons for legislation to include pharmacists in the definition of health care provider in medical malpractice actions. Insurance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PHARMACISTS LIABILITY ACTIONS.

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 60B of Chapter 231 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out the seventh paragraph and inserting in
3 place thereof the following:— For the purposes of this section, a
4 provider of health care shall mean a person, corporation, facility
5 or institution licensed by the commonwealth to provide health
6 care or professional services as a physician, hospital, clinic or
7 nursing home, dentist, registered or licensed nurse, optometrist,
8 podiatrist, chiropractor, physical therapist, psychologist,
9 acupuncturist, or pharmacist, or an officer, employee or agent
10 thereof acting in the course and scope of his employment.

