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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Jason M. Lewis*

*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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to marijuana potency.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2017</i>

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to marijuana potency.

*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 94G of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 14 the following section:-

3 Section 15. The commissioner of the department of public health shall investigate the  
4 effects of marijuana and marijuana products with a high potency of tetrahydrocannabinol on the  
5 human body. As part of her investigation, the commissioner shall make a recommendation on (i)  
6 whether there should be restrictions on the potency of tetrahydrocannabinol in marijuana and  
7 marijuana products; and (ii) a recommendation of what that restriction may be.

8 The commissioner shall file a report of its findings and recommendations with the clerks  
9 of the house of representatives and the senate, the chairs of the house and senate committees on  
10 ways and means, the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on public health, the house  
11 and senate chairs of the joint committee on consumer protection and professional licensure and  
12 the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on marijuana not later than September 1,  
13 2017.