



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

MASSACHUSETTS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
STATE HOUSE BOSTON, MA 02133

**RE: H1371 An Act relative to the exposure of public safety officials to the aids virus**  
**DT: July 14, 2015**

Dear Honorable Chairs and Members of the Joint Committee on Public Health,

Thank you for considering bill *An Act relative to the exposure of public safety officials to the aids virus*.

This bill has been filed on behalf of SEIU NAGE, The National Association of Government Employees. Its main focus is to impose legislation to inaugurate a HIV testing protocol in correctional institutions in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. It is all-important that the Commonwealth takes the health of our public safety officials seriously, and not in the least bit for granted. *H.1371 An Act relative to the exposure of public safety officials to the aids virus*, is a bill that will reinsure the security of public safety officials who may potentially be exposed to the aids virus via a person under criminal indictment, by establishing the right to petition the court having jurisdiction of testing the subject of indictment for the HLTIV-III antibody or antigen.

*H.1371 An Act relative to the exposure of public safety officials to the aids virus* is legislation that provides public safety officials with the assured health rights to perform their day-to-day actives at the most effective level, all while keeping their health and their own safety protected.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Heroux".

Representative Paul Heroux