

SENATE NO. 1240

AN ACT PROTECTING HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER PATIENTS

*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. Subsection (i) of section 18 of chapter 118G of the General Laws, as amended by
2 section 354 of chapter 26 of the acts of 2003, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof
3 the following sentence:-

4 The division shall adopt regulations prohibiting a hospital or community health center or an
5 agent of a hospital or community health center from seeking legal execution against the
6 personal residence or motor vehicle of a patient or a guarantor for a patient without the express
7 approval, on an individual case basis, of the board of trustees of the hospital or community
8 health center.