

HOUSE No. 1173

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Gerard J. Cassidy

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 to restore the effective date of MassHealth coverage for new applicants.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Gerard J. Cassidy</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Jennifer Balinsky Armini</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>	<i>3/1/2023</i>

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By Representative Cassidy of Brockton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1173) of Gerard J. Cassidy and Jennifer Balinsky Armini relative to the effective date of MassHealth coverage for new applicants. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3873 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act to restore the effective date of MassHealth coverage for new applicants.

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. Section 9A of chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting the following new paragraph:-

3 (17) For applicants under age 65 who submit all required eligibility verifications within
4 the time determined by the division, the start date of coverage shall begin on the first day of the
5 third calendar month before the month of application.