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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jennifer E. Benson

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act relative to promoting women's health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Cory Atkins	*14th Middlesex*
Jennifer E. Benson	*37th Middlesex*
Kate Hogan	*3rd Middlesex*
Robert F. Fennell	*10th Essex*
Carolyn C. Dykema	*8th Middlesex*
Peter V. Kocot	*1st Hampshire*
Martin J. Walsh	*13th Suffolk*
Jennifer L. Flanagan	☐ *[District]* ☐
Ellen Story	*3rd Hampshire*
Jason M. Lewis	*31st Middlesex*
Denise Andrews	*2nd Franklin*
Patricia D. Jehlen	☐ *[District]* ☐
Alice K. Wolf	*25th Middlesex*
Ruth B. Balser	*12th Middlesex*

Denise Provost	*27th Middlesex*
Sonia Chang-Diaz	☐ *[District]* ☐
Gloria L. Fox	*7th Suffolk*
Karen E. Spilka	☐ *[District]* ☐
William N. Brownsberger	☐ *[District]* ☐
Lori A. Ehrlich	*8th Essex*
James M. Cantwell	*4th Plymouth*
Geraldine M. Creedon	*11th Plymouth*
James J. O'Day	*14th Worcester*
James B. Eldridge	☐ *[District]* ☐

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By Ms. Benson of Lunenburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3542) of Cory Atkins and others for legislation to provide that cytologic screenings performed at the same time as annual physical examinations be separately billed by health care providers and paid by insurers. Financial Services.

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An Act relative to promoting women's health.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 47G of chapter 175 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-- Annual cytologic screenings performed at the same time as an annual physical exam may be separately billed by the health care provider and shall be paid by the insurer.

SECTION 2. Subdivision L of section 110 of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-- Annual cytologic screenings performed at the same time as an annual physical exam may be separately billed by the health care provider and shall be paid by the insurer.

SECTION 3. Section 8J of chapter 176A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-- Annual cytologic screenings performed at the same time as an annual physical exam may be separately billed by the health care provider and shall be paid by the insurer.