

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1988**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bradley H. Jones, Jr.***

*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 suspending prescription drug coverage from minimum creditable coverage requirements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Donald Humason</i>	
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Matthew A. Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1988) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to suspending prescription drug coverage from minimum creditable coverage requirements. Public Health.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to suspending prescription drug coverage from minimum creditable coverage requirements.

*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 1 of chapter 111M of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 46, at the end of the definition of the  
3 term “Creditable coverage” the following:-

4           Minimum creditable coverage, as defined by the board under the authority granted herein,  
5 shall not require, in the case of individuals subject to this chapter, coverage for prescription  
6 drugs, except as provided in the essential health benefit benchmarks, established under the  
7 federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.