

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 986****The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Carl M. Sciortino, 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 HIV-associated lipodystrophy treatment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Ruth B. Balser</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>	
<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	
<i>Thomas P. Conroy</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	
<i>Gloria L. Fox</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>	
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>	
<i>Jay R. Kaufman</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	
<i>Aaron Michlewitz</i>	<i>3rd Suffolk</i>	
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>	
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	

<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>	
<i>Daniel A. Wolf</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>	

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By Mr. Sciortino of Medford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 986) of Carl M. Sciortino, Jr. and others for legislation to require that group and non-group insurance plans cover medical or drug treatments to correct or repair disturbances of body composition caused by HIV-associated lipodystrophy syndrome. Financial Services.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen  
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An Act relative to HIV-associated lipodystrophy treatment.

*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 23 of Chapter 32A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000  
2           Official Edition,

3           is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

4           The commission shall provide to any active or retired employee of the commonwealth  
5           and who is insured under the group insurance commission coverage for medical or drug  
6           treatments to correct or repair disturbances of body composition caused by lipodystrophy  
7           syndrome, including but not limited to reconstructive surgery, such as suction assisted

8           lipectomy, other restorative procedures, and dermal injections or fillers for reversal of  
9           facial lipoatrophy syndrome. The benefits in this section shall not be subject to any greater  
10          deductible, coinsurance, copayments or out-of-pocket limits than any other benefits provided by  
11          the insurer. This section shall also require coverage for such treatments for lipodystrophy under  
12          any non-group policy.

13          SECTION 2. Chapter 175 of the General Laws, as so appearing,

14          is hereby amended by inserting after Section 47Z the following section:

15          Section 47AA. Any policy of accident and sickness insurance as described in section 108  
16          which provides hospital expense and surgical expense insurance and which is delivered, issued  
17          or subsequently renewed by agreement between the insurer and policyholder in the

commonwealth; any blanket or general policy of insurance described in subdivision (A), (C) or (D) of section 110 which

provides hospital expense and surgical expense insurance and which is delivered, issued or subsequently renewed by agreement between the insurer and the policyholder, within or without the commonwealth; or any employees' health and welfare fund which provides hospital expense and surgical expense benefits and which is delivered, issued or renewed to any person or group of persons in the commonwealth, shall provide coverage for medical or drug treatments to correct or repair disturbances of body composition caused by lipodystrophy syndrome, including but not limited to reconstructive surgery, such as suction assisted lipectomy, other restorative procedures, and dermal injections or fillers for reversal of facial lipoatrophy syndrome. The benefits in this section shall not be subject to any greater deductible, coinsurance, copayments or out-of-pocket limits than any other benefits provided by the insurer. This section shall also require coverage for such treatments for lipodystrophy under any non-group policy.

SECTION 3. Chapter 176A of the General Laws, as so appearing,

is hereby amended by inserting after Section 8DD the following paragraph:

Section 8EE: Any contract between a subscriber and the corporation under an individual or group hospital service plan which is delivered, issued or renewed in the commonwealth shall provide as benefits to all individual subscribers or members within the commonwealth and to all group members

having principal place of employment within the commonwealth coverage for medical or drug treatments to correct or repair disturbances of body composition caused by lipodystrophy syndrome, including but not limited to reconstructive surgery, such as suction assisted lipectomy, other restorative procedures, and dermal injections or fillers for reversal of facial lipoatrophy syndrome. The benefits in this section shall not be subject to greater deductible, coinsurance, copayments or out-of-pocket limits than any other benefits provided by the insurer. This section shall also require coverage for such treatments for lipodystrophy under any non-group policy.

SECTION 4. Chapter 176B of the General Laws, as so appearing,

is hereby amended by inserting after Section DD the following paragraph:

Section EE. Any subscription certificate under an individual or group medical service agreement that shall be delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide as benefits to all individual subscribers or members within the commonwealth and to all group members having a principal place of employment in the commonwealth coverage for medical or drug treatments to correct or repair disturbances of body composition caused by lipodystrophy syndrome, including but not limited to reconstructive surgery, such as suction assisted lipectomy, other restorative procedures, and dermal injections or fillers for reversal of facial lipoatrophy

53 syndrome. The benefits in this section shall not be subject to any greater deductible,  
54 coinsurance, copayments or out-of-pocket limits than any other benefits provided by the insurer.  
55 This section shall also require coverage for such treatments for lipodystrophy under any non-  
56 group policy.

57 SECTION 5. Chapter 176G of the General Laws, as so appearing,

58 is hereby amended by inserting after Section 4V the following paragraph:

59 Section 4W. An individual or group health maintenance contract shall provide coverage  
60 and benefits for medical or drug treatments to correct or repair disturbances of body composition  
61 caused by lipodystrophy syndrome, including but not limited to reconstructive surgery, such as  
62 suction assisted lipectomy, other restorative procedures, and dermal injections or fillers for  
63 reversal of facial lipoatrophy syndrome. The benefits in this section shall not be subject to any  
64 greater deductible, coinsurance, copayments or out-of-pocket limits than any other benefits  
65 provided by the insurer. This section shall also require coverage for such treatments for  
66 lipodystrophy under any non-group policy.

67 SECTION 6. Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as so appearing,

68 is hereby amended by inserting after Section 10F, the following paragraph:

69 Section 10G. The division shall provide coverage for medical or drug treatments to  
70 correct or repair disturbances of body composition caused by lipodystrophy syndrome, including  
71 but not limited to reconstructive surgery, such as suction assisted lipectomy, other restorative  
72 procedures, and dermal injections or fillers for reversal of facial lipoatrophy syndrome.