

HOUSE No. 975

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to the health insurance connector authority..

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 2 of Chapter 176Q of the Massachusetts General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting in place thereof the
3 following:-

4 (b) There shall be a board, with duties and powers established by this chapter, which shall
5 govern the connector. The connector board shall consist of 11 members: the secretary for
6 administration and finance, ex officio, who shall serve as chairperson; the director of Medicaid,
7 ex-officio; the commissioner of insurance, ex- officio; the executive director of the group
8 insurance commission; 4 members appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be a member in
9 good standing of the American Academy of Actuaries, 1 of whom shall be a health economist, 1
10 of whom shall represent the interests of small businesses and 1 of whom shall be a member in
11 good standing of the Massachusetts Association of Health Underwriters; and 3 members
12 appointed by the attorney general, 1 of whom shall be an employee health benefits plan
13 specialist, 1 of whom shall be a representative of a health consumer organization, and 1 of
14 whom shall be a representative of organized labor. No appointee may be an employee of any

15 licensed carrier authorized to do business in the commonwealth. All appointments shall serve a
16 term of 3 years, but a person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the unexpired term.
17 An appointed member of the board shall be eligible for reappointment. The board shall annually
18 elect 1 of its members to serve as vice-chairperson. Each member of the board servicing ex-
19 officio may appoint a designee under section 6A of chapter 30.