

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1229

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Elizabeth A. Malia***

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*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 behavioral health emergency services.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>		<i>1/25/2011</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>		<i>2/2/2011</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>

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By Ms. Malia of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1229) of Elizabeth A. Malia and others relative to the rates charged by Medicaid managed organizations for behavioral health emergency services. Health Care Financing.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven  
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An Act relative to behavioral health emergency services.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the so-called  
2 Medicaid managed care organizations and any entity with whom they contract to manage  
3 behavioral health benefits for MassHealth members, shall pay to organizations providing  
4 emergency services on behalf of the commonwealth through contracts with the Massachusetts  
5 Behavioral Health Partnership, the same rates for adult emergency and crisis services that the  
6 Massachusetts Behavioral Health Partnership paid for emergency services as of January 1, 2010  
7 in the following settings: hospital-based; community-based; mobile response; and community  
8 crisis stabilization.