

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1530**

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**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 regarding MassHealth applications.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balseer</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2011</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>		<i>2/3/2011</i>

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By Mr. Sciortino of Medford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1530) of Carl M. Sciortino, Jr. and others relative to providing for a presumptive eligibility program for MassHealth applicants. Public Health.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act regarding MassHealth applications.

*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 9 of Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 211 of the Acts  
2 of 2006, is hereby amended by inserting, after the words “long-term care needs of the  
3 individuals,” the following:-

4           The division shall provide, without requiring prior authorization, for up to sixty (60) days  
5 of eligibility for MassHealth home and Community Based Services, including personal care  
6 services, for individuals who, upon discharge from an acute hospital, medical center, nursing  
7 facility, or health care facility including rehabilitation facilities and state hospitals, are presumed  
8 to be financially eligible for the MassHealth program and clinically eligible for home and  
9 community based services, as determined by an Aging Services Access Point or an Independent  
10 Living Center; provided further the division shall promulgate such standards and regulations as  
11 may be necessary for the administration of said presumptive eligibility program.