HOUSE No. 2101

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David M. Torrisi

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 health insurance.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:David M. Torrisi14th Essex1/20/2011

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By Mr. Torrisi of North Andover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2101) of David M. Torrisi relative to rates of compliance and full-time employee requirements for mandated for health benefit plans. Health Care Financing.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

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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, if the division 2 of insurance determines that the percentage rate of compliance, as required to be reported under 3 chapter 1760, section 21, subsection (b)(2)(x), relative to the benefits mandated for health 4 benefit plans under chapters 175, 176A, 176B and 176G, is in the aggregate less than 100%, then 5 on or before October 1, the division shall issue regulations to require carriers to offer health 6 benefit plans in the commonwealth that include all of the benefits mandated for health benefit 7 plans under chapters 175, 176A, 176B and 176G, but that allow for the purchasers of health 8 benefit plans to opt out of purchasing coverage containing certain individual mandated benefits 9 which are not reported to be included in 100% of the plans offered by the carriers' self-insured 10 customers.

SECTION 2. Section 188 of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 18, the words "11 or more full-time equivalent" and inserting in place thereof the following:—

"50 or more full-time"