

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Katherine M. Clark

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 improving provider choice in the administration of childhood immunizations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Katherine M. ClarkFifth Middlesex

SENATE DOCKET, NO. 1798 FILED ON: 1/21/2011

SENATE No. 1084

By Ms. Clark, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1084) of Katherine M. Clark for legislation to improve provider choice in the administration of childhood immunizations. Public Health.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to improving provider choice in the administration of childhood immunizations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

2 Section 24I of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official

3 Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

Healthcare providers shall have the right to choose the most appropriate Food and Drug
Administration (FDA) approved vaccine used to prevent a particular disease for any patient
receiving vaccine provided by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) through
the Universal Immunization Program. The MDPH Universal Immunization Program must
provide access and coverage for any and all immunizations including combinations vaccines that
have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.