

SENATE No. 281

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael O. Moore

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 pediatric home care services.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Michael O. Moore

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By Mr. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 281) of Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to pediatric home care services. [Health Care Financing].

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to pediatric home care 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. The Division of Health Care Finance & Policy shall amend the formula
2 used to determine continuous skilled nursing care rates for single and multi-patient home health
3 service pursuant to chapter 118G of the General Laws by attributing no less than 30 percent of
4 the rate to the indirect cost component used to determine payment to agencies; and no more than
5 10 percent of the rate to the indirect cost component used to determine payment to an individual
6 practitioner.

7 SECTION 2. The Division of Health Care Finance & Policy shall not establish rates to
8 reimburse for continuous skilled nursing care provided by Licensed Practical Nurses relative to
9 114.3 CMR 50.04 (2)(2)(b) to three patients or more.

10 SECTION 3. The Division of Health Care Finance & Policy shall authorize overtime
11 hours for continuous skilled nursing provided through a home care agency where a family, by
12 written affidavit, confirms an inability to find providers for 25 percent or more of the hours
13 determined to be medically necessary.