

**SENATE . . . . . No. 466**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael F. Rush***

*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 to promote health care cost containment through select and tiered network plans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Michael F. Rush*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Norfolk and Suffolk*

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By Mr. Rush, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 466) of Michael F. Rush for legislation to promote health care cost containment through select and tiered network plans. Financial Services.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act to promote health care cost containment through select and tiered network plans.

*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 9A of chapter 176O of the General Laws, as created by Chapter 288 of  
2 the Acts of 2010, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (a), and replacing it with the  
3 following:-

4                   (a) (i) limits the ability of the carrier to introduce or modify a select network  
5 plan or tiered network plan by granting the health care provider a guaranteed right of  
6 participation; (ii) requires the carrier to place all members of a provider group, whether local  
7 practice groups or facilities, in the same tier of a tiered network plan; or (iii) requires the carrier  
8 to include all members of a provider group, whether local practice groups or facilities, in a select  
9 network plan on an all-or-nothing basis; or