

# SENATE . . . . . No. 480

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Steven A. Baddour*

*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 clarifying eligibility for small group health insurance.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Steven A. Baddour*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Mr. Baddour, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 480) of Steven A. Baddour for legislation to clarify eligibility for small group health insurance. Health Care Financing.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven  
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An Act clarifying eligibility for small group health insurance.

*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. Section 1 of said chapter 176J, as amended by section 20 of chapter 288 of  
2   the acts of 2010, is hereby amended by striking out the definition of “Eligible individual” and  
3   inserting in place thereof the following definition:-

4           “Eligible individual”, an individual who is a resident of the commonwealth and who is  
5   not seeking individual coverage to replace an employer-sponsored health plan for which the  
6   individual is eligible and which provides coverage that is at least actuarially equivalent to  
7   minimum creditable coverage, or who has access to, or has waived access to, an employer-  
8   sponsored health plan.