

SENATE No. 484

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Gale D. Candaras

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 establish a primary care development fund..

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>Gale D. Candaras</i> | |
| <i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i> | <i>10th Hampden</i> |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | |
| <i>Denise Provost</i> | <i>27th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Benjamin Swan</i> | <i>11th Hampden</i> |

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By Ms. Candaras, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 484) of Gale D. Candaras, Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera, James B. Eldridge, Denise Provost and others for legislation to establish a primary care development fund. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 532 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to establish a primary care development fund..

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 or regulation to the
2 contrary, one hundred percent of the surplus, if any, contained in the health safety net trust fund
3 established pursuant to Chapter 118G, Section 36, shall be transferred annually into a primary
4 care development fund to be administered by the health care workforce center established
5 pursuant to chapter 305 of the acts of 2008. Funds also may be transferred into said fund during
6 the fiscal year and on a rolling basis to the extent there is an existing surplus during such time.
7 The center shall develop grant award criteria for the purpose of funding community hospital
8 primary care physician recruitment and retention activities.