

# SENATE . . . . . No. 556

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Bruce E. Tarr***

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*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 strengthen the management of the health care connector..

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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*Bruce E. Tarr*

*Benjamin Swan*

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*11th Hampden*

# SENATE . . . . . No. 556

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 556) of Bruce E. Tarr and Benjamin Swan for legislation to strengthen the management of the health care connector. Health Care Financing.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven  
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An Act to strengthen the management of the health care connector..

*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. Subsection (b) of section 2 of chapter 176Q is hereby amended by  
2 striking the following:-

3                   (b) There shall be a board, with duties and powers established by this chapter,  
4 which shall govern the connector. The connector board shall consist of 13 members: the  
5 secretary for administration and finance, or a designee, who shall serve as chairperson; the  
6 director of Medicaid or a designee; the commissioner of insurance or a designee; the executive  
7 director of the group insurance commission; 6 members appointed by the governor, 1 of whom  
8 shall be a member in good standing of the American Academy of Actuaries, 1 of whom shall be  
9 a health economist, 1 of whom shall represent the interests of small businesses, 2 of whom shall  
10 be from organizations representing employers, and 1 of whom shall be a member of the  
11 Massachusetts chapter of the National Association of Health Underwriters; and 3 members  
12 appointed by the attorney general, 1 of whom shall be an employee health benefits plan  
13 specialist, 1 of whom shall be a representative of a health consumer organization and 1 of whom

14 shall be a representative of organized labor. No appointee shall be an employee of any licensed  
15 carrier authorized to do business in the commonwealth. All appointments shall serve a term of 3  
16 years, but a person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the unexpired term. An  
17 appointed member of the board shall be eligible for reappointment. The board shall annually  
18 elect 1 of its members to serve as vice-chairperson.