

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tackey Chan

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 review of adult foster care services.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Tackey Chan	2nd Norfolk	1/17/2013
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	
Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable	
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden	1/25/2013
Tricia Farley-Bouvier	3rd Berkshire	
James J. Dwyer	30th Middlesex	
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex	
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex	
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol	
William Smitty Pignatelli	4th Berkshire	
Bradford Hill	4th Essex	
Bruce J. Ayers	1st Norfolk	1/30/2013
John J. Binienda	17th Worcester	1/30/2013
Gailanne M. Cariddi	1st Berkshire	1/30/2013
Katherine M. Clark	Fifth Middlesex	2/1/2013
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	10th Hampden	2/1/2013
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex	2/1/2013
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	2/1/2013

Timothy R. Madden	Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket	2/1/2013
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden	1/31/2013
Randy Hunt	5th Barnstable	1/31/2013

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1009) of Tackey Chan and others relative to a review of MassHealth payment rates for adult foster care services by the Executive Office of Health and Human Services. Health Care Financing.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to review of adult foster 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: Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Secretary of

2 the Executive Office of Health and Human Services shall pursuant to General Laws Chapter

3 118E, Sections 13C-13D, as amended by Section 123 of Chapter 224 of the Acts of 2012,

4 complete a review of MassHealth payment rates for Adult Foster Care services by September 1,

5 2013. The Secretary of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services shall promulgate

6 regulations, effective January 1, 2014, on increasing said rates by 8% above the rates in effect

7 since 2008.

8 In conducting said review, the Secretary of the Executive Office of Health and Human 9 Services shall consider, consistent with Chapter 224 of the Acts of 2012: (i) innovative program

10 features that lower the growth of long-term care and health care costs; (ii) opportunities for

11 incorporating alternative payment methodologies that will promote caregiver recruitment and

12 retention and foster improved consumer access and health outcomes; (iii) the lack of a timely and

13 comprehensive rate review for Adult Foster Care services since 2008.