

HOUSE No. 1031

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kay Khan

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 providing for supportive living services for brain-injured individuals.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Kay Khan</i> | <i>11th Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Anne M. Gobi</i> | <i>5th Worcester</i> | <i>1/25/2013</i> |
| <i>Marcos A. Devers</i> | <i>16th Essex</i> | <i>1/28/2013</i> |
| <i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i> | <i>3rd Berkshire</i> | <i>1/28/2013</i> |
| <i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i> | <i>5th Essex</i> | <i>1/18/2013</i> |

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By Ms. Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1031) of Kay Khan and for legislation to provide supportive living services for brain-injured individuals. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 335 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act providing for supportive living services for brain-injured individuals.

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 the provisions of 130 CMR 422.000 or any other
2 regulation, general or special law to the contrary, the division of medical assistance shall provide
3 supportive living services, including personal care attendant services, to MassHealth members
4 with brain injuries in the "Transitional Living Program", so-called, residing in a community-
5 based residential program funded by the federal Housing and Urban Development section 811
6 grant, so-called;

7 provided further, that services shall be provided without regard to the ability of
8 individuals to move to more independent living settings and shall continue to be provided for the
9 duration of residency within such community-based residential programs; provided further, that
10 the division shall seek federal approval to provide cueing and supervision services, and upon
11 approval, shall provide such cueing and supervision services to said individuals; provided
12 further, that the division shall develop a plan to establish a Life-Long Supportive Living
13 Program, so-called, to provide and expand supportive living services to such individuals;
14 provided further, that said plan shall include, but not be limited to, a review of regulations
15 regarding the Transitional Living Program: and provided further, that the division shall file a
16 report with the house and senate committees on ways and means no later than January 1, 2014

- 17 detailing the plan, the number of MassHealth members impacted, and recommendations to
- 18 implement said program.