HOUSE No. 1956

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Gloria L. Fox

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 the implementation of a statewide Type 2 diabetes prevention program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Gloria L. Fox	7th Suffolk	1/18/2013
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	10th Hampden	
Martin J. Walsh	13th Suffolk	1/25/2013
Linda Dorcena Forry	12th Suffolk	
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	

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By Ms. Fox of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1956) of Gloria L. Fox and others for legislation to establish a statewide program to promote prevention, diagnosis and treatment of Type 2 Diabetes. Public Health.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

There is hereby established and set up a special program in preventing the spread of Type 2 Diabetes (especially for children) in the Commonwealth.

The Type 2 Diabetes Prevention Program is designed to improve treatment and outcomes for people with diabetes (especially children), to promote early diagnosis, and to prevent the onset of diabetes. Its mission is to eliminate the preventable burden of diabetes through leadership, research, programs, and policies that translate science into practice. Program activities are directed to these audiences: the general public; people with diabetes and their families; health care providers; and payers and purchasers of health care medication for Diabetes.

The creation of this prevention program shall consist of all (such as healthcare providers, physicians, hospitals, community health centers, medical practitioners, home healthcare providers and or any organizations that provide health care) to devise a program.

The program shall take into account the best policies and practices in other states and jurisdictions, particularly, but not limited to the Department of Public Health (DPH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) & American Disease Association (ADA) conduct applied translational research for their agency (and or practice).

This research should identify in detail the public health implications of results from clinical trials and scientific studies and effectively and efficiently applies these findings in the health care system. Areas of research should include (1) access to quality care for diabetes, especially within managed care organizations; (2) early detection of undiagnosed diabetes; (3) cost effectiveness of diabetes prevention and control activities; (4) effectiveness of health

practices to address risk factors for diabetes; and (5) demonstration of primary prevention of type 2 diabetes (6)school based awarenes programs for guide to early detection.

The Department of Public Health (DPH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) & American Disease Association (ADA) shall assist in the funding and programming needed to accomplish these goals. With the implantation this program it will help in tracking, processing and engagement. (1) Increase diabetes preventive behaviors; (2) Improve the access to effective lifestyle interventions; (3) Enhance and improve community and environmental strategies to prevent diabetes; (4) Improve the health behavior and self management practices of people with diabetes; (5) Enhance and improve the access and delivery of effective preventive health care services; (6) Enhance and improve community and environmental strategies to support people with Type 2 diabetes; (6) Improve the science of health and health care disparities related to diabetes; (7) Prioritize and disseminate public health strategies to eliminate disparities; (8) Build capacity for communication, evaluation, marketing, policy, and partnerships of a statewide campaign(9) and creation of Pharmacists partnership as public health enhancers with collaboration with health providers to enhance awareness and assist in reduction of medical care cost.

Prevention program must be administered by someone licensed in the medical field whom also has a high level of cultural and language competences, as they will administer trainings for children, youth, families and medical staff on ways to address the issues people (specially children) faces on type 2 diabetes from disfranchised homes. Each Prevention Program shall be empowered to annually complete one of the following (1) hold monthly public meetings, (2) fact-finding hearings and other public forums (3) campaign for diabetes prevention efforts (especially type 2), (4) monthly community outreach/social events; (5) yearly resource fair with related prevention stakeholders for 300 people or more. The program will help each person create a prevention strategy molded to fit their own cultural background and medical history.

In efforts to provide comprehensive prevention and treatment programs in communities throughout the commonwealth of MA, all programs should be reviewed yearly by Department of Public Health (DPH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) & American Disease Association (ADA) for effective input for program development. The agency will then use this information to determine future action in regards to the program.