

HOUSE No. 3761

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, November 14, 2013.

The committee on Municipalities and Regional Government to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1864) petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1864) of John J. Mahoney and others relative to parking for vehicles of home care clinicians, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 3761) ought to pass

For the committee,

SARAH K. PEAKE.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to vehicles of home care clinicians.

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. Any municipality in the Commonwealth may establish in their office of the
2 parking clerk or equivalent office a list of home health care clinicians and home health aides with
3 vehicle registrations and the home health care agency with which they are employed for the
4 purposes of caring for homebound or other individuals needing home health care services.

5 Individuals under the employment of a certified home health agency on this list shall be
6 able to automatically overturn a parking ticket administered while the clinician or aide was
7 providing essential care services, as long as they are parked in a manner that does not impede
8 vehicles related to public safety, handicap parking, or other commercial vehicles.

9 SECTION 2. Home care agencies must be certified as a participating Medicare home
10 health agency pursuant to Section 1891 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C.A. § 1395bbb or be
11 accredited as a private pay home care agency by the Home Care Alliance of Massachusetts.

12 SECTION 3. Home care agencies that wish to obtain this right for their clinicians and
13 aides must pay an annual registration fee of \$100 to any municipality not exceeding five
14 thousand inhabitants and \$250 to any municipality exceeding five thousand inhabitants in which
15 they are providing care and which is maintaining an up to date list of clinicians servicing that
16 municipality. Each participating home care agency is responsible for updating their list of
17 clinicians at least every four months.