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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Ellen Story*

*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 postpartum depression screening.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Story of Amherst, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Ellen Story and others that the Division of Medical Assistance provide coverage of screenings for postpartum depression. Public Health.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen**  
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An Act relative to postpartum depression screening.

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

1 Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after Section 10G the following: -

3 Section 10H. The division shall provide coverage of screenings by pediatricians for  
4 postpartum depression in mothers of newly born children during any visit to a pediatrician's  
5 office taking place for up to one year from the date of the child's birth.