

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 76****The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Garrett J. Bradley***

*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 to provide equal access to medical treatments essential for children with autism.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Garrett J. Bradley</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	
<i>Dennis A. Rosa</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>	
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>	
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	
<i>John J. Binienda</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>	
<i>Donald Humason</i>		
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>	
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	

<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	

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By Mr. Bradley of Hingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 76) of Garrett J. Bradley and others relative to access to medical treatments for children with autism. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen  
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An Act to provide equal access to medical treatments essential for children with autism.

*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 General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 62 the following section:-

3           Section 63- The Division shall cover the cost of habilitative or rehabilitative medically  
4 necessary treatments for children and youth under age 21 diagnosed with on of the Autism  
5 Spectrum Disorders by a licensed physician or a licensed psychologist who determines the care  
6 to be medically necessary. Treatments include, but are not limited to, Applied Behavior  
7 Analysis, supervised by a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA), necessary to develop,  
8 maintain or restore, to the maximum extent practicable, the functioning of an individual. In  
9 addition, the Division shall cover the cost of both dedicated and non-dedicated augmentative and  
10 alternative communication devices, including but not limited to medically necessary tablets.