## **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 538**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Richard T. Moore

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 provider's council.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Richard T. Moore	Worcester and Norfolk
John W. Scibak	2nd Hampshire
Stephen L. DiNatale	3rd Worcester
Carlos Henriquez	5th Suffolk
Alan Silvia	7th Bristol
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester
Martin J. Walsh	13th Suffolk
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester
Jennifer L. Flanagan	Worcester and Middlesex
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden
James J. Dwyer	30th Middlesex
Martha M. Walz	8th Suffolk
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Thomas P. Conroy	13th Middlesex
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden

John V. Fernandes	10th Worcester
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex
Denise Andrews	2nd Franklin
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex
Patricia A. Haddad	5th Bristol
Antonio F. D. Cabral	13th Bristol
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex

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By Mr. Richard T. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 538) of Richard T. Moore, John W. Scibak, Stephen L. DiNatale, Carlos Henriquez and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the provider's council. Health Care Financing.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 534 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to the provider's council.

chapter 176J and section 13 of chapter 176J.

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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:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (b), (c) or (f) of section 12 of chapter 176J or any other general or special law to the contrary, Massachusetts Council of Human Services Providers, Inc., a Massachusetts charitable corporation, shall be deemed a "qualified association" and an approved "small business group purchasing cooperative," both as defined in section 1 of chapter 176J, and as such may procure health care coverage for qualified association members subject only to the provisions of subsections (a), (d) and (e) of section 12 of