

SENATE No. 551

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 to require equitable payment from the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Richard T. Moore

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Worcester and Norfolk

SENATE No. 551

By Mr. Richard T. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 551) of Richard T. Moore for legislation to require equitable payment from the Commonwealth. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1153 OF 2011-2012.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act to require equitable payment from the Commonwealth.

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. Section 16 of chapter 6A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph:-

3 “*And provided further that the secretary of the executive office of health and human
4 services shall ensure that network hospitals are compensated at their full negotiated rate for
5 behavioral health services provided to MassHealth patients who are also clients of agencies
6 within the executive office of health and human services and for whom no appropriate alternative
7 placement is available. Provided however, such compensation shall only be provided if the
8 hospital can document that it has engaged in good faith efforts to place said clients in any
9 appropriate alternative setting.*”