

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1030**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***John W. Scibak***

*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 establishing a grants program to increase dental services to Medicaid eligible patients.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>	<i>1/13/2015</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>
<i>Benjamin B. Downing</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden</i>	<i>9/10/2019</i>
<i>William Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>	<i>9/10/2019</i>
<i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>	<i>9/10/2019</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>	<i>9/10/2019</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>	<i>9/10/2019</i>

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By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1030) of John W. Scibak and others relative to establishing a grants program to increase dental services to Medicaid eligible patients. Health Care Financing.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act establishing a grants program to increase dental services to Medicaid eligible patients.

*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. Notwithstanding at law to the contrary, the Massachusetts an appropriation  
2 of not less than \$750,000 to be awarded as grants on a competitive basis, with not more than  
3 \$250,000 appropriated in any one service area, to fund the costs associated with establishing  
4 provider services to non-profit dental providers who can document that over 50% of their  
5 patients served are Mass Health or Medicaid eligible. These grants may be renewable given  
6 certain service goals as established by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.