

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1035

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Theodore C. Speliotis*

*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 mitigate co-payment rates pursuant to care provided by physician assistants and nurse practitioners.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Theodore C. Speliotis</i>	<i>13th Essex</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>

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By Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1035) of Theodore C. Speliotis relative to patient co-payment rates for care provided by physician assistants and nurse practitioners. Health Care Financing.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1057 OF 2013-2014.]

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act to mitigate co-payment rates pursuant to care provided by physician assistants and nurse practitioners.

*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: Chapter 176O of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2   section 22 the following new section:

3           Section 23: Notwithstanding any general or special law or any rule or regulation to the  
4   contrary any co-payment rate charged to a patient corresponding to the cost of exclusive care  
5   provided by a Physician Assistant, as defined in section 9E of chapter 112 of the General Laws,  
6   or a Nurse Practitioner, as defined in section 1 of chapter 176R of the General Laws, shall be  
7   adjusted to equal a co-payment rate in proportion to the co-payment rate pursuant to the  
8   corresponding cost of care provided by a physician, as defined in section 71 of chapter 93 of the  
9   General Laws.