

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 77**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Claire D. Cronin***

*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 ensure continued health insurance coverage for children.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Marcos A. Devers</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael S. Day</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>

<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>

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By Ms. Cronin of Easton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 77) of Claire D. Cronin and others for legislation to ensure continued health insurance coverage for certain children. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act to ensure continued health insurance coverage for children.

*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 9A of Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 official  
2 edition is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:-

3           (17) The executive office of health and human services shall provide coverage to eligible  
4 children and adolescents from birth to age 18 inclusive who meet the eligibility requirements of  
5 clause (c) of sub-section 2 of this section, and to pregnant women under section 10E, regardless  
6 of the availability of federal funding under Title XXI of the Social Security Act; provided  
7 however that the executive office shall seek to maximize federal financial participation in the  
8 program through the demonstration project under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, or under  
9 the authority of Title XXI, if funding is available.