

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mathew Muratore

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 physical therapy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>5/18/2015</i>

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By Mr. Muratore of Plymouth, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Mathew Muratore relative to insurance coverage for physical therapy. Financial Services.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 846 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to physical therapy.

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 175 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the
2 following new section:-

3 Section 226. Physical Therapy Copayments

4 (a) An insurer shall not impose a copayment, coinsurance, or office visit deductible
5 amount charged to the insured for services rendered for each date of service by a physical
6 therapist licensed under section 23B of chapter 112 that is greater than the copayment,
7 coinsurance, or office visit deductible amount charged to the insured for the services of a primary
8 care physician or an osteopath licensed under section 2 of Chapter 112 for an office visit.

9 (b) An insurer shall state clearly the availability of physical therapy coverage under its
10 plan and all related limitations, conditions, and exclusions.