SENATE No. 1181

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joan B. Lovely

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 regarding MassHealth applications.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Joan B. Lovely	Second Essex
James J. Dwyer	30th Middlesex
Dennis A. Rosa	4th Worcester
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex
Robert M. Koczera	11th Bristol
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex
Thomas J. Calter	12th Plymouth
Stephen L. DiNatale	3rd Worcester
William C. Galvin	6th Norfolk
Anne M. Gobi	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and
	Middlesex
Bradford R. Hill	4th Essex
Jay R. Kaufman	15th Middlesex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Stephen Kulik	1st Franklin
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex

Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Theodore C. Speliotis	13th Essex
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Kenneth I. Gordon	21st Middlesex
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.	28th Middlesex
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden
Michael J. Rodrigues	First Bristol and Plymouth
Paul Tucker	7th Essex
Barbara A. L'Italien	Second Essex and Middlesex
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex
John C. Velis	4th Hampden
Jennifer L. Flanagan	Worcester and Middlesex
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex
Leah Cole	12th Essex
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex
Jerald A. Parisella	6th Essex
Edward F. Coppinger	10th Suffolk
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk

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By Ms. Lovely, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1181) of Joan B. Lovely, James J. Dwyer, Dennis A. Rosa, Colleen M. Garry and other members of the General Court relative to providing for a presumptive eligibility program for MassHealth applicants. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2083 OF 2013-2014.]

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

An Act regarding MassHealth applications.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- Section 9 of Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 211 of the Acts
- of 2010, is hereby amended by inserting, after the words "long-term care needs of the
- 3 individuals," the following:-
- 4 The division shall provide, without requiring prior authorization, for up to sixty (60) days
- 5 of eligibility for MassHealth home and Community Based Services, including personal care
- 6 services, for individuals who, upon discharge from an acute hospital, medical center, nursing
- 7 facility, or health care facility including rehabilitation facilities and state hospitals, are presumed
- 8 to be financially eligible for the MassHealth program and clinically eligible for home and
- 9 community based services, as determined by an Aging Services Access Point or an Independent

- 10 Living Center; provided further the division shall promulgate such standards and regulations as
- may be necessary for the administration of said presumptive eligibility program.