SENATE No. 626

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kathleen O'Connor Ives

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 transparency in health care.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| Kathleen O'Connor Ives | First Essex |
| Diana DiZoglio | 14th Essex |

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By Ms. O'Connor Ives, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 626) of Kathleen O'Connor Ives and Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to transparency in health care. Health Care Financing.

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

An Act relative to transparency in health care.

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 any general or special law to the contrary, the inspector
- 2 general shall conduct a review and provide the legislature with a report by December, 2015
- 3 outlining the financial impact of the total costs associated with the Connector and compliance
- 4 with the Affordable Care Act.
- 5 The review shall include a cost analysis of state funds expended for temporary coverage,
- 6 including those funds that would have been reimbursed by the federal government had the
- 7 Connector website been properly functioning. Further, the inspector general shall investigate all
- 8 means of recouping such funds, including any legal and cost effective means of collecting funds
- 9 under the commonwealth's contract with third-party vendors."