

**SENATE . . . . . No. 351**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Barbara A. L'Italien***

*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 home care cost sharing.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2017</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/26/2017</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>

<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>

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By Ms. L'Italien, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 351) of Barbara A. L'Italien, Jose F. Tosado, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., Marjorie C. Decker and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to home care cost sharing. Elder Affairs.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act regarding home care cost sharing.

*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. Section 4A of Chapter 19A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the first sentence of the first paragraph and  
3 inserting in place thereof, the following sentence:

4           “If a consumer who is otherwise eligible for home care services has income which is  
5 within the range established in the home care cost sharing schedule as authorized by the  
6 executive office of elder affairs, the consumer shall make a co-payment in accordance with the  
7 schedule set forth in the financial eligibility guidelines in effect during the consumer’s initial  
8 determination or redetermination of financial eligibility.”

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