

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1143**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Josh S. Cutler*

*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 funding the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Trust Fund.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/8/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>

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By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1143) of Josh S. Cutler and Mathew J. Muratore relative to funding the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Trust Fund. Health Care Financing.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 601 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to funding the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Trust Fund.

*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 2FFFF of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 224 of the  
2 Acts of 2012 is hereby amended by inserting after clause j the following new section:-

3 “The secretary may also designate up to 10 per cent of available funds to be transferred  
4 by the comptroller to the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Trust Fund to develop,  
5 support and promote professional development opportunities in the mental health field. The  
6 secretary shall only designate funds for this purpose to the extent that the Behavioral Health  
7 Workforce Development Trust Fund does not receive adequate funding in the annual  
8 appropriations bill approved by the general court.”