

HOUSE No. 1159

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Natalie M. Higgins

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 requiring MassHealth behavioral health care carve out contracts to be subject to the freedom of information statute.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>1/16/2019</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>	<i>1/23/2019</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Ms. Higgins of Leominster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1159) of Natalie M. Higgins and others relative to requiring MassHealth behavioral health care carve out contracts to be subject to the freedom of information statute. Health Care Financing.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act requiring MassHealth behavioral health care carve out contracts to be subject to the freedom of information statute.

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 113 of Chapter 58 of the Acts of 2006 is hereby amended by
2 inserting after the first sentence the following new sentence:- "The terms and conditions of
3 contracts, including financial arrangements, between any managed care organization and any
4 specialty behavioral health managed care organization shall be subject to section 10 of Chapter
5 66 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition."