

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1851**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*F. Jay Barrows*

*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 to ensure access to necessary hospital services.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>1/17/2019</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mr. Barrows of Mansfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1851) of F. Jay Barrows and others relative to hospitals providing cardiac catheterization services. Public Health.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1127 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)  
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An Act to ensure access to necessary hospital services.

*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 51 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:-

3 Any licensed hospital that provides cardiac catheterization services, with an annual  
4 patient volume of at least 300 diagnostic procedures each calendar year by multiple physicians,  
5 or 150 procedures each calendar year by a sole physician, shall be deemed to comply with the  
6 volume requirements set forth by the Department and shall not be subject to any enforcement  
7 action by the Department solely due to volume levels.