HOUSE No. 1129

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Christine P. Barber

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 provide Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Christine P. Barber	34th Middlesex	1/11/2019
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	1/23/2019
James Arciero	2nd Middlesex	2/1/2019
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	2/1/2019
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex	1/29/2019
David Biele	4th Suffolk	2/1/2019
Natalie M. Blais	1st Franklin	1/31/2019
Harriette L. Chandler	First Worcester	2/1/2019
Mike Connolly	26th Middlesex	1/30/2019
Brendan P. Crighton	Third Essex	1/30/2019
William L. Crocker, Jr.	2nd Barnstable	1/29/2019
Daniel R. Cullinane	12th Suffolk	1/31/2019
Julian Cyr	Cape and Islands	2/1/2019
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire	1/30/2019
Daniel M. Donahue	16th Worcester	1/30/2019
William J. Driscoll, Jr.	7th Norfolk	2/1/2019
Michelle M. DuBois	10th Plymouth	1/30/2019

James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	1/29/2019
William C. Galvin	6th Norfolk	1/31/2019
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	1/25/2019
Denise C. Garlick	13th Norfolk	1/30/2019
Carlos González	10th Hampden	2/1/2019
Tami L. Gouveia	14th Middlesex	2/1/2019
Richard M. Haggerty	30th Middlesex	1/31/2019
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol	2/1/2019
Stephan Hay	3rd Worcester	1/28/2019
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester	1/30/2019
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex	1/31/2019
Daniel J. Hunt	13th Suffolk	2/1/2019
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex	1/31/2019
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	1/29/2019
John J. Lawn, Jr.	10th Middlesex	1/30/2019
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	1/28/2019
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex	1/29/2019
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex	1/24/2019
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex	1/24/2019
Jay D. Livingstone	8th Suffolk	1/29/2019
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk	1/25/2019
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk	1/30/2019
Christina A. Minicucci	14th Essex	1/28/2019
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex	1/25/2019
Patrick M. O'Connor	Plymouth and Norfolk	1/30/2019
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester	1/24/2019
Alice Hanlon Peisch	14th Norfolk	1/31/2019
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Rebecca L. Rausch	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex	1/30/2019
David Allen Robertson	19th Middlesex	1/25/2019
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex	1/29/2019
Daniel J. Ryan	2nd Suffolk	1/31/2019
Jon Santiago	9th Suffolk	1/31/2019
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex	1/30/2019
Dean A. Tran	Worcester and Middlesex	1/31/2019
Tommy Vitolo	15th Norfolk	1/29/2019

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By Ms. Barber of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1129) of Christine P. Barber and others relative to providing Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation programs and information. Health Care Financing.

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

An Act to provide Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation.

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 executive 2 office of health and human services shall include within its MassHealth-covered services a 3 program for smoking and tobacco use cessation treatment and information. Smoking and tobacco 4 use cessation treatment and information benefits shall include United States Food and Drug 5 Administration approved nicotine replacement therapy, other United States Food and Drug 6 approved pharmacologic aids to quitting smoking, and accompanying individual, group and 7 phone counseling by a physician, dentist, behavioral health counselor, mental health counselor, 8 certified tobacco use cessation counselor, or other qualified clinician. The executive office shall 9 report annually on the number of enrollees who participate in smoking and tobacco cessation 10 services, number of enrollees who quit smoking or using tobacco, and Medicaid expenditures 11 tied to tobacco use by Medicaid enrollees.