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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Keenan

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 providing access to patient protection services for MassHealth consumers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
John F. Keenan	*Norfolk and Plymouth*	
Elizabeth A. Malia	*11th Suffolk*	*1/31/2019*

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By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 692) of John F. Keenan and Elizabeth A. Malia for legislation to provide access to patient protection services for MassHealth consumers. Health Care Financing.

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

An Act providing access to patient protection services for MassHealth consumers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provision of any general or special law to the contrary, every person covered by the division of medical assistance, its contracted health plans, health maintenance organizations, behavioral health management firms, and third-party administrators under contract to a medicaid managed care organization or primary care clinician plan shall have access to the standards and procedures established under sections 12, 13, and 14 of chapter 176O. Such standards shall be administered and enforced by the office of patient protection established by section 16 of chapter 6D of the General Laws. The executive office of health and human services and the division of medical assistance shall request waivers from any federal laws or regulations which impede the effective implementation of this act.