

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1298**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Lenny Mirra and James M. Kelcourse*

*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 health care eligibility for those affected by COVID-19.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Lenny Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>2/18/2021</i>
<i>James M. Kelcourse</i>	<i>1st Essex</i>	<i>2/18/2021</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Messrs. Mirra of Georgetown and Kelcourse of Amesbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1298) of Lenny Mirra, James M. Kelcourse and Timothy R. Whelan relative to asset limits for the Medicaid program during the COVID-19 state of emergency. Health Care Financing.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to health care eligibility for those affected by COVID-19.

*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 is hereby instructed to submit a time-limited state plan  
3 amendment to the centers for Medicare & Medicaid services requesting that the asset limits for  
4 the state’s Medicaid program be increased from \$2,000 to \$4,000 for an individual, and from  
5 \$3,000 to \$6,000 for a couple, for the duration of the state of emergency declared by the  
6 governor on March 10, 2020.