

HOUSE No. 3781

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nika C. Elugardo

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 establishing a commission to review health insurance coverage for medically necessary treatment in public schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Nika C. Elugardo</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/18/2021</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>

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By Ms. Elugardo of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3781) of Nika C. Elugardo and Elizabeth A. Malia for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to health insurance coverage for medically necessary treatment in public schools. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act establishing a commission to review health insurance coverage for medically necessary treatment in public schools.

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. A special legislative commission, to consist of: 2 members of the senate, 2
2 members of the house of representatives, the secretary of elementary and secondary education,
3 the commissioner of the department of public health, the director of MassHealth and 6 persons to
4 be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be appointed from a list provided by
5 Massachusetts Advocates for Children; 1 of whom shall be appointed from a list provided by the
6 Boston Medical Center; 1 of whom shall be appointed from a list provided by the Massachusetts
7 Association of School Committees; 1 of whom shall be appointed from a list of public school-
8 based physical therapists provided by the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents;
9 1 of whom shall be appointed from a list provided by the Massachusetts Association of School
10 Business Officials; 1 of whom shall be appointed from a list of public school-based physical
11 therapists provided by the Massachusetts chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association;

12 and the president of the Massachusetts School-Based Health Alliance, is hereby established
13 pursuant to section 2A of chapter 4 of the General Laws for the purpose of making an
14 investigation and study relative to health insurance coverage for medically necessary treatment in
15 public schools.

16 SECTION 2. The commission shall report to the general court the results of its
17 investigation and study and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation
18 necessary to carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the senate
19 and the clerk of the house of representatives on or before December 31, 2021.