

SENATE No. 792

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis

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 Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation programs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>	<i>3/1/2021</i>

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By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 792) of Jason M. Lewis, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr. and John F. Keenan for legislation to provide Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 704 OF 2019-2020.]

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

An Act providing Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation programs.

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

1 Chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting at the end of section
2 10M the following:-

3 “provided further that “tobacco use cessation counseling” shall include individual, group
4 and phone counseling by a physician, dentist, behavioral health counselor, mental health
5 counselor, certified tobacco use cessation counselor, or other qualified clinician.”