

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1011**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*William C. Galvin*

*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 fair and equitable compensation for medical services.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/10/2023</i>
<i>Carol A. Doherty</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>2/7/2023</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>
<i>Edward R. Philips</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>4/5/2023</i>
<i>Jacob R. Oliveira</i>	<i>Hampden, Hampshire and Worcester</i>	<i>4/21/2023</i>

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By Representative Galvin of Canton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1011) of William C. Galvin, Carol A. Doherty and James B. Eldridge relative to fair and equitable compensation for medical services. Financial Services.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4268 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to fair and equitable compensation for medical services.

*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 16 of chapter 176O of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out  
2 subsection (c) and inserting in place thereof the following subsections:

3           (c) Carriers are prohibited from reducing the payment of a negotiated rate for evaluation  
4 and management or procedural services under a participating provider agreement that are  
5 furnished by a participating provider and that are otherwise covered services solely because the  
6 provider also billed other health care services, including but not limited to minor surgery, on the  
7 same day as the evaluation and management or procedural services. Any provision of a provider  
8 agreement that allows for a reduction in reimbursement as prohibited by this subsection shall be  
9 void.

10           (d) With respect to an insured enrolled in a health benefit plan under which the carrier or  
11 utilization review organization only provides administrative services, the obligations of a carrier  
12 or utilization review organization created by this section and related to payment shall be limited  
13 to recommending to the third party payor that coverage should be authorized.