### HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 2239

# The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts PRESENTED BY: Lenny Mirra

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 urgent care centers and MassHealth patients.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Lenny Mirra	2nd Essex	1/11/2023

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By Representative Mirra of Georgetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2239) of Lenny Mirra relative to the use of urgent care centers by MassHealth patients. Public Health.

## [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2374 OF 2021-2022.]

#### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act relative to urgent care centers and MassHealth patients.

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. Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition,
- 2 is hereby amended by inserting after section 51K the following new section:
- 3 Section 51L. The department shall promulgate all rules and regulations necessary
- 4 regarding the definition of and licensing procedures for urgent care centers; provided, that the
- 5 new rules and regulations ensure residents enrolled in MassHealth shall not require a referral
- 6 from a primary care provider, as defined in section 1, to obtain services or care from an urgent
- 7 care center.