

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 284**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Kip A. Diggs*

*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 to reduce the burden of medical debt.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                  | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:     | DATE ADDED:      |
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| <i>Kip A. Diggs</i>    | <i>2nd Barnstable</i> | <i>1/19/2023</i> |
| <i>Jon Santiago</i>    | <i>9th Suffolk</i>    | <i>2/8/2023</i>  |
| <i>Danillo A. Sena</i> | <i>37th Middlesex</i> | <i>6/7/2023</i>  |

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By Representative Diggs of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 284) of Kip A. Diggs and Jon Santiago relative to medical debt consumer credit reports. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

An Act to reduce the burden of medical debt.

*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. Section 52 of chapter 93 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after clause (6) the following clause:-

3 (7) Information concerning medical debt arising from the receipt of health care services.

4 SECTION 2. Said section 52 of said chapter 93 of the General Laws, as so appearing is  
5 further amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting in place thereof the following  
6 subsection:-

7 (b) Except for subsection (7), the provisions of subsection (a) are not applicable in the  
8 case of any consumer credit report to be used in connection with –

9 (1) a credit transaction involving, or which may reasonably be expected to involve, a  
10 principal amount of fifty thousand dollars or more; or

- 11 (2) the underwriting of life insurance involving, or which may reasonably be expected to
- 12 involve, a face amount of fifty thousand dollars or more.