

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1386**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***John F. Keenan***

*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 the determination of need of new technology.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*John F. Keenan*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Norfolk and Plymouth*

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By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1386) of John F. Keenan for legislation relative to the determination of need of new technology. Public Health.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1448 OF 2021-2022.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to the determination of need of new technology.

*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 25B of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the definition of “New technology”, and  
3 inserting in place thereof the following definition:-

4           "New technology", equipment such as magnetic resonance imagers and linear  
5 accelerators, as may be defined by the department, or a service, as may be defined by the  
6 department, which for reasons of quality, access or cost is determined to be new technology by  
7 the department; provided, however, that computerized tomography and any equipment that is  
8 widely utilized as standard diagnostic treatment or therapeutic technology shall not be considered  
9 new technology.