

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4345

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 31, 2025.

The committee on Financial Services, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1317) of Amy Mah Sangiolo, Natalie M. Blais and Patrick Joseph Kearney relative to the access of breast pumps, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4345) ought to pass.

For the committee,

JAMES M. MURPHY.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**

An Act improving access to breast pumps.

*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 32A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

3           Section 35. (a) As used in this section, “multi-user breast pump” shall mean a breast  
4 pump that is: (i) capable of initiating and supporting milk supply; (ii) able to be used by multiple  
5 users safely and hygienically; (iii) durable enough to be used by a mother who is expressing 8  
6 times per day or more; (iv) is made for heavy usage with a long motor life; (v) operating using a  
7 closed system; (vi) is capable of suction power from 0 to 300 mmHg; (vii) has a multiphase  
8 system or the ability to customize vacuum and cycling for each user; and (viii) is run on  
9 electricity, not batteries alone.

10           (b) The commission shall provide to an active or retired employee of the commonwealth  
11 who is insured under the group insurance commission coverage for the cost of the rental and  
12 usage of a multi-user breast pump by the mother of a newborn infant who is receiving care at an  
13 intensive care or special care nursery, or has cardiac, neurological, or oral anomalies that prevent

14 direct feeding at the breast, until such time as the infant is discharged, or until the mother is no  
15 longer pumping breastmilk. The multi-user breast pump shall be made available to the user  
16 within 24 hours of maternal hospital discharge.

17 (c) The commission shall provide to an active or retired employee of the commonwealth  
18 who is insured under the group insurance commission, and eligible for a covered multi-user  
19 breast pump under this section, coverage for: (i) periodic replacement parts for the multi-user  
20 breast pump including, but not limited to, connectors, valves, tubing, backflow protectors, and  
21 flanges; (ii) breast milk storage bags; and (iii) microwave bags for sterilizing the multi-user  
22 breast pump parts.

23 (d) The commission shall provide to an active or retired employee of the commonwealth  
24 who is insured under the group insurance commission, and eligible for a covered multi-user  
25 breast pump under this section, coverage for: (i) an initial assessment, instruction and fitting by  
26 an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC); and (ii) ongoing assessment,  
27 support and refitting as needed by an IBCLC.

28 SECTION 2. Chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
29 section 10Z the following section:-

30 Section 10AA. (a) As used in this section, “multi-user breast pump” shall mean a breast  
31 pump that is: (i) capable of initiating and supporting milk supply; (ii) able to be used by multiple  
32 users safely and hygienically; (iii) durable enough to be used by a mother who is expressing 8  
33 times per day or more; (iv) is made for heavy usage with a long motor life; (v) operating using a  
34 closed system; (vi) is capable of suction power from 0 to 300 mmHg; (vii) has a multiphase

35 system or the ability to customize vacuum and cycling for each user; and (viii) is run on  
36 electricity, not batteries alone.

37 (b) The division and its contracted health insurers, health plans, health maintenance  
38 organizations, behavioral health management firms and third-party administrators under contract  
39 to a Medicaid managed care organization or primary care clinician plan shall provide coverage  
40 for the cost of the rental and usage of a multi-user breast pump by the mother of a newborn  
41 infant who is receiving care at an intensive care or special care nursery, or has cardiac,  
42 neurological, or oral anomalies that prevent direct feeding at the breast, until such time as the  
43 infant is discharged, or until the mother is no longer pumping breastmilk. The multi-user breast  
44 pump shall be made available to the user within 24 hours of maternal hospital discharge.

45 (c) The division and its contracted health insurers, health plans, health maintenance  
46 organizations, behavioral health management firms and third-party administrators under contract  
47 to a Medicaid managed care organization or primary care clinician plan shall provide an  
48 individual, who is eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump under this section, coverage for:  
49 (i) periodic replacement parts for the multi-user breast pump including, but not limited to,  
50 connectors, valves, tubing, backflow protectors, and flanges; (ii) breast milk storage bags; and  
51 (iii) microwave bags for sterilizing the multi-user breast pump parts.

52 (d) The division and its contracted health insurers, health plans, health maintenance  
53 organizations, behavioral health management firms and third-party administrators under contract  
54 to a Medicaid managed care organization or primary care clinician plan shall provide an  
55 individual, who is eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump under this section, coverage for:  
56 (i) an initial assessment, instruction and fitting by an International Board Certified Lactation

57 Consultant (IBCLC); and (ii) ongoing assessment, support and refitting as needed and prescribed  
58 by provider, by an IBCLC.

59 SECTION 3. Chapter 175 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting before  
60 section 47CCC the following section:-

61 Section 47AAA. (a) As used in this section, “multi-user breast pump” shall mean a breast  
62 pump that is: (i) capable of initiating and supporting milk supply; (ii) able to be used by multiple  
63 users safely and hygienically; (iii) durable enough to be used by a mother who is expressing 8  
64 times per day or more; (iv) is made for heavy usage with a long motor life; (v) operating using a  
65 closed system; (vi) is capable of suction power from 0 to 300 mmHg; (vii) has a multiphase  
66 system or the ability to customize vacuum and cycling for each user; and (viii) is run on  
67 electricity, not batteries alone.

68 (b) Any blanket or general policy of insurance described in subdivision (A), (C), or (D)  
69 of section one hundred and ten which is issued or subsequently renewed by agreement between  
70 the insurer and the policyholder, within or without the commonwealth, during the period within  
71 which this premium is effective, or any policy of accident or sickness insurance as described in  
72 section one hundred and eight which provides hospital expense and surgical expense insurance  
73 and which is delivered or issued for delivery or subsequently renewed by agreement between the  
74 insurer and the policyholder in the commonwealth, during the period within which this provision  
75 is effective, or any employers' health and welfare fund which provides hospital expense and  
76 surgical expense benefits and which is issued or renewed to any person or group of persons in  
77 the commonwealth, during the period within which this provision is effective, shall provide  
78 coverage for the cost of the rental and usage of a multi-user breast pump by the mother of a

79 newborn infant who is receiving care at an intensive care or special care nursery, or has cardiac,  
80 neurological, or oral anomalies that prevent direct feeding at the breast, until such time as the  
81 infant is discharged, or until the mother is no longer pumping breast milk. The multi-user breast  
82 pump should be made available to the user within 24 hours of maternal hospital discharge.

83 (c) Any policy, contract, agreement, plan or certificate of insurance issued, delivered or  
84 renewed within the commonwealth, which is considered creditable coverage under section 1 of  
85 chapter 111M, shall provide an individual, who is eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump  
86 under this section, coverage for: (i) periodic replacement parts for the multi-user breast pump  
87 including, but not limited to, connectors, valves, tubing, backflow protectors, and flanges; (ii)  
88 breast milk storage bags; and (iii) microwave bags for sterilizing the multi-user breast pump  
89 parts.

90 (d) Any policy, contract, agreement, plan or certificate of insurance issued, delivered or  
91 renewed within the commonwealth, which is considered creditable coverage under section 1 of  
92 chapter 111M, shall provide an individual, who is eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump  
93 under this section, coverage for: (i) an initial assessment, instruction and fitting by an  
94 International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC); and (ii) ongoing assessment,  
95 support and refitting as needed and prescribed by provider, by an IBCLC.

96 SECTION 4. Chapter 176A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
97 section 8DDD the following section:-

98 Section 8EEE. (a) As used in this section, “multi-user breast pump” shall mean a breast  
99 pump that is: (i) capable of initiating and supporting milk supply; (ii) able to be used by multiple  
100 users safely and hygienically; (iii) durable enough to be used by a mother who is expressing 8

101 times per day or more; (iv) is made for heavy usage with a long motor life; (v) operating using a  
102 closed system; (vi) is capable of suction power from 0 to 300 mmHg; (vii) has a multiphase  
103 system or the ability to customize vacuum and cycling for each user; and (viii) is run on  
104 electricity, not batteries alone.

105 (b) Any contract between a subscriber and the corporation under an individual or group  
106 hospital service plan that is delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide  
107 coverage for the cost of the rental and usage of a multi-user breast pump by the mother of a  
108 newborn infant who is receiving care at an intensive care or special care nursery, or has cardiac,  
109 neurological, or oral anomalies that prevent direct feeding at the breast, until such time as the  
110 infant is discharged, or until the mother is no longer pumping breast milk. The multi-user breast  
111 pump shall be made available to the user within 24 hours of maternal hospital discharge.

112 (c) Any contract between a subscriber and the corporation under an individual or group  
113 hospital service plan that is delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide  
114 an individual, who is eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump under this section, coverage  
115 for: (i) periodic replacement parts for the multi-user breast pump including, but not limited to,  
116 connectors, valves, tubing, backflow protectors, and flanges; (ii) breast milk storage bags; and  
117 (iii) microwave bags for sterilizing the multi-user breast pump parts.

118 (d) Any contract between a subscriber and the corporation under an individual or group  
119 hospital service plan that is delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide  
120 an individual, who is eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump under this section, coverage  
121 for: (i) an initial assessment, instruction and fitting by an International Board Certified Lactation

122 Consultant (IBCLC); and (ii) ongoing assessment, support and refitting as needed and prescribed  
123 by provider, by an IBCLC.

124 SECTION 5. Chapter 176B of the General laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
125 section 4DDD the following section:-

126 Section 4EEE. (a) As used in this section, “multi-user breast pump” shall mean a breast  
127 pump that is: (i) capable of initiating and supporting milk supply; (ii) able to be used by multiple  
128 users safely and hygienically; (iii) durable enough to be used by a mother who is expressing 8  
129 times per day or more; (iv) is made for heavy usage with a long motor life; (v) operating using a  
130 closed system; (vi) is capable of suction power from 0 to 300 mmHg; (vii) has a multiphase  
131 system or the ability to customize vacuum and cycling for each user; and (viii) is run on  
132 electricity, not batteries alone.

133 (b) Any subscription certificate under an individual or group medical service agreement  
134 delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide coverage for the cost of the  
135 rental and usage of a multi-user breast pump by the mother of a newborn infant who is receiving  
136 care at an intensive care or special care nursery, or has cardiac, neurological, or oral anomalies  
137 that prevent direct feeding at the breast, until such time as the infant is discharged, or until the  
138 mother is no longer pumping breastmilk. The multi-user breast pump should be made available  
139 to the user within 24 hours of maternal hospital discharge.

140 (c) Any subscription certificate under an individual or group medical service agreement  
141 delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide an individual, who is  
142 eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump under this section, coverage for: (i) periodic  
143 replacement parts for the multi-user breast pump including, but not limited to, connectors,

144 valves, tubing, backflow protectors, and flanges; (ii) breast milk storage bags; and (iii)  
145 microwave bags for sterilizing the multi-user breast pump parts.

146 (d) Any subscription certificate under an individual or group medical service agreement  
147 delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide an individual, who is  
148 eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump under this section, coverage for: (i) an initial  
149 assessment, instruction and fitting by an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant  
150 (IBCLC); and (ii) ongoing assessment, support and refitting as needed and prescribed by  
151 provider, by an IBCLC.

152 SECTION 6. Chapter 176G of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
153 section 4VV the following section:-

154 Section 4WW. (a) As used in this section, “multi-user breast pump” shall mean a breast  
155 pump that is: (i) capable of initiating and supporting milk supply; (ii) able to be used by multiple  
156 users safely and hygienically; (iii) durable enough to be used by a mother who is expressing 8  
157 times per day or more; (iv) is made for heavy usage with a long motor life; (v) operating using a  
158 closed system; (vi) is capable of suction power from 0 to 300 mmHg; (vii) has a multiphase  
159 system or the ability to customize vacuum and cycling for each user; and (viii) is run on  
160 electricity, not batteries alone.

161 (b) An individual or group health maintenance contract that is issued or renewed shall  
162 provide coverage for the cost of the rental and usage of a multi-user breast pump by the mother  
163 of a newborn infant who is receiving care at an intensive care or special care nursery, or has  
164 cardiac, neurological, or oral anomalies that prevent direct feeding at the breast, until such time

165 as the infant is discharged, or until the mother is no longer pumping breastmilk. The multi-user  
166 breast pump should be made available to the user within 24 hours of maternal hospital discharge.

167 (c) An individual or group health maintenance contract that is issued or renewed shall  
168 provide an individual, who is eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump under this section,  
169 coverage for: (i) periodic replacement parts for the multi-user breast pump including, but not  
170 limited to, connectors, valves, tubing, backflow protectors, and flanges; (ii) breast milk storage  
171 bags; and (iii) microwave bags for sterilizing the multi-user breast pump parts.

172 (d) An individual or group health maintenance contract that is issued or renewed shall  
173 provide an individual, who is eligible for a covered multi-user breast pump under this section,  
174 coverage for: (i) an initial assessment, instruction and fitting by an International Board Certified  
175 Lactation Consultant (IBCLC); and (ii) ongoing assessment, support and refitting as needed and  
176 prescribed by provider, by an IBCLC.