

SENATE No. 865

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Barry R. Finegold

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 expanding the moral obligation bond program to acute care hospitals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Barry R. Finegold

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Essex and Middlesex

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By Mr. Finegold, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 865) of Barry R. Finegold for legislation to expand the moral obligation bond program to acute care hospitals. Health Care Financing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act expanding the moral obligation bond program to acute care hospitals.

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. Paragraph (n1/2) of section 5 of chapter 614 of the acts of 1968, as inserted
2 by section 47 of chapter 288 of the Acts of 2010, is hereby amended by striking out the words
3 “community hospitals” and inserting in place thereof the following:- acute care hospitals.

4 SECTION 2. Subsection (g) of section 10 of said chapter 614, as amended by section 21
5 of chapter 9 of the Acts of 2011, is hereby further amended by striking out the words
6 “community hospital” in each instance in which they appear and inserting in place thereof the
7 following:- “acute care hospital”.

8 SECTION 3. Said subsection (g) of said section 10 of said chapter 614, as so appearing,
9 is hereby further amended by striking out the words “community hospitals” in each instance in
10 which they appear and inserting in place thereof the following:- “acute care hospitals”.

11 SECTION 4. Said subsection (g) of said section 10 of said chapter 614, as so appearing,
12 is hereby amended by striking out paragraph (12) in its entirety.