

# SENATE . . . . . No. 882

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Jason M. Lewis***

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*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 promote graduate medical education.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/11/2025</i>
<i>Liz Miranda</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>	<i>3/21/2025</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>4/15/2025</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>	<i>4/22/2025</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>5/12/2025</i>

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By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 882) of Jason M. Lewis, Joanne M. Comerford and James B. Eldridge for legislation to require MassHealth to make Graduate Medical Education payments. Health Care Financing.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 765 OF 2023-2024.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)  
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An Act to promote graduate medical education.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           Chapter 118E of the General Laws is amended by adding at the end thereof, the following  
2 new section:-

3           Section 83. MassHealth shall make graduate medical education payments for post-  
4 graduate residency and other training in community-based primary care, behavioral health, and  
5 other areas of physician or provider shortage in community-based healthcare settings in the  
6 Commonwealth. The payments may support community-based training for other health  
7 professionals, including but not limited to, family medicine nurse practitioners, dentists, and  
8 dental hygienists. Eligible providers for said payments shall include community health centers.  
9 MassHealth shall seek to obtain the maximum amount of federal reimbursement for said  
10 payments. MassHealth shall promulgate and revise any rules or regulations necessary to

11 implement this provision within 180 days of enactment. MassHealth will prioritize placements at  
12 community-based settings and organizations that serve a high public payer mix. MassHealth  
13 shall consult with the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers, Inc. regarding  
14 implementation of this section.