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SENATE . . . . . No. 896

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael O. Moore

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 prohibit inappropriate use of the health care cost growth benchmark.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Michael O. Moore	*Second Worcester*

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By Mr. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 896) of Michael O. Moore for legislation to prohibit inappropriate use of the health care cost growth benchmark. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *788* OF 2023-2024.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to prohibit inappropriate use of the health care cost growth benchmark.

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

Section 9A of chapter 176O of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after clause (e), in line 32, the following clause:-

(f) limits the ability of the health care provider to negotiate a rate increase with a carrier that exceeds the health care cost growth benchmark as established in Chapter 6D of section 9 of the general laws.