

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Mark C. Montigny***

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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 ensure timely health care cost reporting and protecting not-for-profit patient care.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Mark C. Montigny*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Second Bristol and Plymouth*

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 785 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act to ensure timely health care cost reporting and protecting not-for-profit patient care.

*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 11 of chapter 12C of the General Laws, as amended by chapter 343  
2 of the acts of 2024, is hereby amended by striking the word “may” and inserting in place thereof  
3 the following word:- shall

4           SECTION 2. Said section 11 is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the  
5 following sentence:- “The center may promulgate regulations to define “just cause” for the  
6 purposes of this section.”.

7           SECTION 3. Section 51G of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as amended by chapter  
8 343 of the acts of 2024, is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:-

9           “(9) No original license shall be granted, or renewed, to establish or maintain an acute-  
10 care hospital, as defined by section 25B, if the applicant is a for-profit person or entity which, on

11 or after April 1, 2024, becomes a successor to a non-profit acute care hospital as a result of any  
12 sale, lease, exchange, merger or other disposition or conversion of the property, assets or  
13 operations of a non-profit acute care hospital.”.