

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1007**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***John J. Lawn, Jr.***

*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 determination of need threshold.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*John J. Lawn, Jr.*

*James B. Eldridge*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*10th Middlesex*

*Middlesex and Worcester*

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By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1007) of John J. Lawn, Jr. and James B. Eldridge for legislation to expand the determination of need threshold. Health Care Financing.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 506 OF 2013-2014.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act expanding the determination of need threshold.

*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 25B of chapter 111 of the general laws is hereby amended by inserting within the  
2 definition of "expenditure minimum with respect to substantial capital expenditures" after the  
3 words “unless the expenditures and acquisitions are at least \$25,000,000, in which case a  
4 determination of need shall be required”, the following:- “ or unless the expenditures and  
5 acquisitions are at least \$5,000,000, or will total at least \$25,000,000 when aggregated over a  
6 five year period, and will (i) not be implemented within its own primary service area to be  
7 defined by the department for these purposes, and (ii) will be implemented within the primary  
8 service area of another hospital that is a community hospital.”