

HOUSE No. 1851

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

F. Jay Barrows

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 access to necessary hospital services.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Barrows of Mansfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1851) of F. Jay Barrows and others relative to hospitals providing cardiac catheterization services. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1127 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act to ensure access to necessary hospital services.

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 51 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:-

3 Any licensed hospital that provides cardiac catheterization services, with an annual
4 patient volume of at least 300 diagnostic procedures each calendar year by multiple physicians,
5 or 150 procedures each calendar year by a sole physician, shall be deemed to comply with the
6 volume requirements set forth by the Department and shall not be subject to any enforcement
7 action by the Department solely due to volume levels.