

HOUSE No. 1923

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael A. Costello

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to nursing facility care.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Michael A. Costello

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

1st Essex

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By Mr. Costello of Newburyport, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1923) of Michael A. Costello relative to nursing facility care. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen
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An Act relative to nursing facility 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. Chapter 6D of the General Laws as established by section 15 of Chapter
2 224 of the Acts of 2012 is hereby amended by adding the following section: In contracting with
3 a nursing home licensed under chapter 111, section 71 of the General Laws, an accountable care
4 organization established under this chapter shall reimburse the nursing home for care and
5 services provided to an ACO patient as defined in this chapter at a rate of payment that is no less
6 than the Medicare rate of payment that would have applied if the nursing home had been
7 reimbursed for care and services rendered to the ACO patient under the Medicare program.

8 SECTION 2. Section 1 of Chapter 6D as established by Chapter 224 of the Acts of 2012
9 is amended by inserting at the end of the “provider organization” definition the following new
10 sentence: “Provider organizations shall not include a nursing home licensed by the department of
11 public health under section 71 of chapter 111 of the general laws.”

12 SECTION 3. Section 1 of Chapter 12C as established by Chapter 224 of the Acts of 2012
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14 sentence: “Provider organizations shall not include a nursing home licensed by the Department
15 of Public Health under section 71 of chapter 111 of the general laws.”