

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1949**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Lindsay N. Sabadosa***

*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 relative to worker compensation protections for certified medical cannabis patients and their caregivers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>1/11/2023</i>

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By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1949) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to worker compensation protections for certified medical cannabis patients and their caregivers. Labor and Workforce Development.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)

An Act relative to worker compensation protections for certified medical cannabis patients and their caregivers.

*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 6 of Chapter 94I of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 deleting after the existing text “This chapter shall not: (i)” the following text:- "require any  
3 health insurance provider, or any government agency or authority, to reimburse any person for  
4 the expenses of the medical use of marijuana; (ii)” and, by deleting “(iii)” and substituting  
5 therefor “(ii)”

6 SECTION 2. Section 30 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
7 inserting, after the text

8 “Where services are provided to employees under this section, the reasonable and  
9 necessary cost of such services shall be paid by the insurer.”, the following text: Such reasonable  
10 and necessary service costs may include reimbursement for medical cannabis provided to injured  
11 employees who are qualifying patients, or their personal caregiver, certified by a healthcare

- 12 professional pursuant to G.L. c. 94I as a qualifying patient, or serving as a qualifying patient's
- 13 personal caregiver under that chapter.