

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1987**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Louis L. Kafka*

*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 medical equipment suppliers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Louis L. Kafka*

*8th Norfolk*

*Walter F. Timilty*

*7th Norfolk*

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By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1987) of Louis L. Kafka and Walter F. Timilty relative to medical equipment suppliers. Public Health.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1996 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 relative to medical equipment suppliers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, Section 39C of Chapter 112  
2 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding, at  
3 the end of the section, the following sentence:

4 “Further, any health insurance company or hospital incorporated in the Commonwealth  
5 which contracts with a long-term or infusion pharmacy, durable medical equipment supplier, or  
6 respiratory equipment supplier shall ensure that, of the vendors that they contract with, no less  
7 than ten percent shall be certified by the Supplier Diversity Office of the Commonwealth.”