

HOUSE No. 02101

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David M. Torrasi

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 health insurance.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

David M. Torrasi

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

14th Essex

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By Mr. Torrissi of North Andover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2101) of Torrissi relative to rates of compliance and full-time employee requirements for mandated for health benefit plans Joint Committee on Health Care Financing.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to health insurance.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, if the division of
2 insurance determines that the percentage rate of compliance, as required to be reported under
3 chapter 176O, section 21, subsection (b)(2)(x), relative to the benefits mandated for health
4 benefit plans under chapters 175, 176A, 176B and 176G, is in the aggregate less than 100%, then
5 on or before October 1, the division shall issue regulations to require carriers to offer health
6 benefit plans in the commonwealth that include all of the benefits mandated for health benefit
7 plans under chapters 175, 176A, 176B and 176G, but that allow for the purchasers of health
8 benefit plans to opt out of purchasing coverage containing certain individual mandated benefits
9 which are not reported to be included in 100% of the plans offered by the carriers' self-insured
10 customers.

11 SECTION 2. Section 188 of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
12 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 18, the words "11 or more full-time
13 equivalent" and inserting in place thereof the following:—
14 "50 or more full-time"