

HOUSE No. 2285

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carole A. Fiola

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 postpartum depression screening.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>	<i>1/25/2021</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>1/26/2021</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/27/2021</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/28/2021</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2021</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>	<i>1/28/2021</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/28/2021</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2021</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>	<i>1/29/2021</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2021</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2021</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2021</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2021</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/12/2021</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>2/16/2021</i>
<i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>	<i>8th Bristol</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/22/2021</i>
<i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/22/2021</i>

<i>Jessica Ann Giannino</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/23/2021</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>Kate Lipper-Garabedian</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Steven G. Xiarhos</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Danillo A. Sena</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>3/4/2021</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/7/2021</i>

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By Ms. Fiola of Fall River, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2285) of Carole A. Fiola and others that the Division of Medical Assistance be directed to provide coverage for screenings for postpartum depression. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1879 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to postpartum depression screening.

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 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after Section 10L the following: -

3 Section 10M. The division shall provide coverage of screenings by pediatricians for
4 postpartum depression in mothers of newly born children during any visit to a pediatrician’s
5 office taking place for up to one year from the date of the child’s birth.