

HOUSE No. 2984

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael J. Finn

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 to restore adequate funding for disproportionate share hospitals.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>Michael J. Finn</i> | <i>6th Hampden</i> |
| <i>Jose F. Tosado</i> | <i>9th Hampden</i> |
| <i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i> | <i>12th Hampden</i> |
| <i>Brian M. Ashe</i> | <i>2nd Hampden</i> |
| <i>Gerard Cassidy</i> | <i>9th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Aaron Vega</i> | <i>5th Hampden</i> |
| <i>John W. Scibak</i> | <i>2nd Hampshire</i> |
| <i>Carole A. Fiola</i> | <i>6th Bristol</i> |
| <i>Jennifer E. Benson</i> | <i>37th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Thomas J. Calter</i> | <i>12th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Robert M. Koczera</i> | <i>11th Bristol</i> |
| <i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i> | <i>3rd Berkshire</i> |
| <i>Mathew Muratore</i> | <i>1st Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Mary S. Keefe</i> | <i>15th Worcester</i> |
| <i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i> | <i>4th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Jason M. Lewis</i> | <i>Fifth Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Michael O. Moore</i> | <i>Second Worcester</i> |
| <i>Jonathan Hecht</i> | <i>29th Middlesex</i> |

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| <i>Jay D. Livingstone</i> | <i>8th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Christine P. Barber</i> | <i>34th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Denise Provost</i> | <i>27th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Daniel Cullinane</i> | <i>12th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Daniel M. Donahue</i> | <i>16th Worcester</i> |
| <i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i> | <i>12th Worcester</i> |
| <i>James J. O'Day</i> | <i>14th Worcester</i> |

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By Mr. Finn of West Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2984) of Michael J. Finn and others relative to reimbursement rates to disproportionate share hospitals . Health Care Financing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act to restore adequate funding for disproportionate share hospitals.

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, the executive
2 office of health and human services shall require Medicaid to annually include in its
3 reimbursement rates to disproportionate share hospitals as defined under section 8A of chapter
4 118E an additional 5 percent to its inpatient adjudicated payment amount per discharge and an
5 additional 5 percent to its outpatient adjudicated payment amount per episode of care; provider
6 further, the executive office shall require Medicaid to annually provide a supplemental payment
7 of at least \$12,307,769 for inpatient and outpatient behavioral and mental health services
8 provided by disproportionate share hospitals subject to all required federal approvals and the
9 availability of federal financial participation and shall be prioritized for services provided to
10 children and adolescents.