

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John W. Scibak

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 continuity of healthcare.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| John W. Scibak | 2nd Hampshire |
| Brian M. Ashe | 2nd Hampden |
| Tackey Chan | 2nd Norfolk |
| Denise Provost | 27th Middlesex |
| Christine P. Barber | 34th Middlesex |
| Sean Garballey | 23rd Middlesex |
| Jose F. Tosado | 9th Hampden |
| Aaron Vega | 5th Hampden |

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3425) of John W. Scibak and others relative to continuity of healthcare. Health Care Financing.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act relative to continuity of healthcare.

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

| 1 | Chapter 176Q of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:- |
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| 2 | Section 19. The authority shall ensure, the fullest extent possible under federal law, that |
| 3 | whenever a person currently enrolled in a health benefit plan offered through the connector |
| 4 | transfers to or otherwise becomes enrolled in a different health benefit plan offered through the |
| 5 | connector, that person shall continue receiving all benefits offered by the original health benefit |
| 6 | plan for a period of no less than 30 days. |