

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 03542**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Jennifer E. Benson*

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 promoting women's health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Robert F. Fennell</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Alice K. Wolf</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>
<i>Gloria L. Fox</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>

<i>Karen E. Spilka</i>	<i>Second Middlesex and Norfolk</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Geraldine Creedon</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>

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By Ms. Benson of Lunenburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3542) of Jennifer Flanagan and others for legislation to provide that cytologic screenings performed at the same time as annual physical examinations be separately billed by health care providers and paid by insurers. Financial Services.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to promoting women's health.

*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. Section 47G of chapter 175 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-- Annual cytologic screenings  
3 performed at the same time as an annual physical exam may be separately billed by the health  
4 care provider and shall be paid by the insurer.

5 SECTION 2. Subdivision L of section 110 of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby  
6 amended by adding the following sentence:-- Annual cytologic screenings performed at the  
7 same time as an annual physical exam may be separately billed by the health care provider and  
8 shall be paid by the insurer.

9 SECTION 3. Section 8J of chapter 176A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the  
10 following sentence:-- Annual cytologic screenings performed at the same time as an annual

11 physical exam may be separately billed by the health care provider and shall be paid by the  
12 insurer.