

HOUSE No. 598

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Claire D. Cronin and Sean Garballey

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 ensure continued health insurance coverage for children.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Solomon Goldstein-Rose</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>

<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Michael S. Day</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Natalie Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>

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By Representatives Cronin of Easton and Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 598) of Claire D. Cronin and others for legislation to ensure continued health insurance coverage for children. Health Care Financing.

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

An Act to ensure continued health insurance coverage for children.

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 9A of Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 official
2 edition is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:-

3 (17) The executive office of health and human services shall provide coverage to eligible
4 children and adolescents from birth through age 18 inclusive who meet the eligibility
5 requirements of clause (c) of sub-section 2 of this section, and to pregnant women under section
6 10E, regardless of the availability of federal funding under Title XXI of the Social Security Act;
7 provided however that the executive office shall seek to maximize federal financial participation
8 in the program through the demonstration project under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, or
9 under the authority of Title XXI, if funding is available.