

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 614**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Danielle W. Gregoire*

*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 improve Alzheimer's' and dementia care in senior care options programs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael S. Day</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>

<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Peter Capano</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>
<i>Maria Duaima Robinson</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>
<i>Michael J. Barrett</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>Lenny Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Norman J. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Edward F. Coppinger</i>	<i>10th Suffolk</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Joseph A. Boncore</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>

<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>John J. Mahoney</i>	<i>13th Worcester</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>Joseph F. Wagner</i>	<i>8th Hampden</i>
<i>Dean A. Tran</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul J. Donato</i>	<i>35th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Christina A. Minicucci</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel R. Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>David Biele</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Peter J. Durant</i>	<i>6th Worcester</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>John Barrett, III</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Jon Santiago</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul F. Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>James M. Kelcourse</i>	<i>1st Essex</i>

<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Barry R. Finegold</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>William M. Straus</i>	<i>10th Bristol</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>Richard M. Haggerty</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Julian Cyr</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 614**

By Miss Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 614) of Danielle W. Gregoire and others for legislation to Improve Alzheimer's' and dementia care in senior care options programs. Elder Affairs.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**

An Act to improve Alzheimer's' and dementia care in senior care options programs.

*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 is hereby amended by adding the  
2 following new section:

3 Section 78.

4 (a) Definition: "Dementia Care Coordination", a proactive care consultation service.

5 (b) To ensure that members of Senior Care Options (SCOs) plans receive cost effective,  
6 quality dementia care, MassHealth shall require that all Massachusetts Senior Care Options plans  
7 provide Dementia Care Coordination (DCC) to SCO members that have been diagnosed with  
8 Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

9 Upon a referral from a clinician, a patient with dementia and their care consultant will  
10 receive an outgoing call from a trained clinician, who shall provide care consultation services to

11 the family, resulting in an individualized family care plan and a companion summary to the  
12 referring clinician for inclusion in the permanent medical record.

13 The Care Plan shall provide guidance in dementia caregiving strategies, including  
14 symptom management strategies, communication techniques, legal and financial issues, safety  
15 recommendations, and referrals to appropriate community support services.

16 (c) In order to meet the requirements of this Section, SCO plans may contract with  
17 community partners, or directly provide DCC services to their members.