

HOUSE No. 923

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David M. Nangle

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 pediatric plans of care.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

David M. Nangle

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

17th Middlesex

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By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 923) of David M. Nangle relative to the maximum allowable number of treatments for certain pediatric care plans. Financial Services.

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

An Act relative to pediatric plans of care.

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

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any child who is being treated
2 for a disability by a provider or therapist licensed under Chapter 112 of the general laws and has
3 a plan of care which is filed with the insurer by the provider or therapist during any one calendar
4 year, and such plan calls for treatment which exceeds the maximum allowable annual treatment
5 sessions under the child's insured plan under Chapter 175 of the general laws shall be granted
6 that maximum allowable number of treatments under the plan of care on an annual basis without
7 further authorization from the insurer on a periodic basis. The insurer shall authorize access to all
8 treatments as filed within the plan of care at the beginning of each calendar year. The provider
9 or therapist shall file quarterly reports with the insurer documenting that the treatment is ongoing
10 and that continued treatment is medically necessary.