

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1564**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Barbara A. L'Italien***

*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 essential health benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>

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By Ms. L'Italien, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1564) of Barbara A. L'Italien, Jason M. Lewis and James B. Eldridge for legislation relative to essential health benefits Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1516 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to essential health benefits.

*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 31A of Chapter 63 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following subsection:-

3 (n) Any corporation that receives a tax credit under this section shall provide to its  
4 employees a health insurance plan that includes, at a minimum, all of the essential health benefits  
5 required under the Massachusetts essential health benefit benchmark plan.

6 SECTION 2: Section 31C of said Chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
7 inserting the following subsection:-

8 (e) Any corporation that receives a tax credit under this section shall provide to its  
9 employees a health insurance plan that includes, at a minimum, all of the essential health benefits  
10 required under the Massachusetts essential health benefit benchmark plan.

11 SECTION 3: Section 31M of said Chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
12 inserting the following subsection:-

13 (g) Any corporation subject to taxes imposed by chapter 63 that receives a tax credit  
14 under this section shall provide to its employees a health insurance plan that includes, at a  
15 minimum, all of the essential health benefits required under the Massachusetts essential health  
16 benefit benchmark plan.

17 SECTION 4: Section 38M of said Chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
18 inserting the following subsection:-

19 (k) Any corporation that receives a tax credit under this section shall provide to its  
20 employees a health insurance plan that includes, at a minimum, all of the essential health benefits  
21 required under the Massachusetts essential health benefit benchmark plan.

22 SECTION 5: Section 38N of said Chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
23 inserting the following subsection:-

24 (h) Any corporation that receives a tax credit under this section shall provide to its  
25 employees a health insurance plan that includes, at a minimum, all of the essential health benefits  
26 required under the Massachusetts benchmark plan.