

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**

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SENATE, February 6, 2024.

The committee on Financial Services, to whom was referred the petitions (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 591) of Michael D. Brady for legislation relative to communications between health insurers and patients; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 592) of Jo Ann Spera for legislation to clarify Massachusetts health coverage for ex-spouses; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 595) of Joanne M. Comerford and Mindy Domb for legislation to strengthen the control of contagious and infectious diseases in the Commonwealth; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 596) of Joanne M. Comerford, Jack Patrick Lewis, Jason M. Lewis, James B. Eldridge and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to trans-inclusive health care access; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 597) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation relative to special education health care costs; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 604) of Brendan P. Crighton and Jason M. Lewis for legislation to ensure access to healthcare and medically necessary food for children; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 611) of John J. Cronin for legislation relative to reimbursement for recovery peer specialists; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 621) of Julian Cyr for legislation relative to gender-affirming hair removal treatment; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 623) of Sal N. DiDomenico for legislation to strengthen the state credit union charter; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 625) of Sal N. DiDomenico for legislation relative to out-of-pocket expenses for covid-19 therapeutics; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 633) of Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to provide for a medical exemption for manufacturer coupons; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 634) of Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to promote insurance rate review transparency; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 639) of Paul R. Feeney for legislation relative to motor vehicle service contracts; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 643) of Barry R. Finegold for legislation to require certain healthcare carriers to share accountability with providers for uncollectible patient obligations after insurance; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 644) of Barry R. Finegold for legislation to redirect excessive health insurer reserves to support health care needs; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 647) of Cindy F. Friedman for legislation relative to preserving preventive services without cost sharing; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 650) of Anne M. Gobi for legislation relative to notify broker prior to termination of coverage; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 652) of Adam Gomez for

legislation to authorize municipalities to deposit into credit unions; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 653) of Adam Gomez, Christine P. Barber, Peter Capano and James B. Eldridge for legislation to establish a Massachusetts foreclosure prevention program; (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 661) of John F. Keenan that provisions be made for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) to encourage acceptance of insurance by outpatient mental health providers; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 671) of Joan B. Lovely for legislation to increase health insurer reporting transparency; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 675) (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Paul W. Mark, Susannah M. Whipps, Joanne M. Comerford, John J. Cronin and other members of the General Court for legislation to create a climate bank in Massachusetts; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 676) of Paul W. Mark, Susannah M. Whipps, Joanne M. Comerford, Vanna Howard and other members of the General Court for legislation to ensure consumer cost protection under the dental medical loss ratio; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 677) of Paul W. Mark for legislation relative to prescription-drug utilization review; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 679) of Liz Miranda and Susannah M. Whipps for legislation relative to protecting reproductive destiny; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 681) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to combat COVID-19 vaccine price gouging; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 683) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to save lives by preventing unscrupulous medical referral restrictions by profit-driven health care networks; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 684) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to enhance oral health through public health dental hygienists; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 685) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation relative to the fiduciary responsibility of lenders for non-payment of insurance premiums from escrowed accounts; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 687) of Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to small business health insurance incentives; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 690) of Susan L. Moran for legislation to protect consumers in cryptocurrency exchanges; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 697) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to dental insurance consumer protections; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 698) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to dental insurance assignment of benefits; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 702) of Marc R. Pacheco for legislation relative to the homeowners' fire insurance policies; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 703) of Pavel M. Payano for legislation relative to reduce racial and socioeconomic inequities in auto insurance premium pricing; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 705) of Mark Bell for legislation relative to moving violations; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 712) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to small group eligibility; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 713) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to health purchasing cooperatives; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 714) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to pharmaceutical "gag clauses"; and (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 721) of John C. Velis for legislation relative to unilateral contract changes, report the accompanying Order (Senate, No. 2636).

For the committee,  
Paul R. Feeney



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1           *Ordered*, That the committee on Financial Services be authorized and directed to make an  
2 investigation and study of certain current Senate documents numbered 591, 592, 595, 596, 597,  
3 604, 611, 621, 623, 625, 633, 634, 639, 643, 644, 647, 650, 652, 653, 661, 671, 675, 676, 677,  
4 679, 681, 683, 684, 685, 687, 690, 697, 698, 702, 703, 705, 712, 713, 714, and 721 relative to  
5 financial services matters.