

**SENATE . . . . . No. 471**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Richard T. Moore*

*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to pancreatic cancer screening.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Richard T. Moore</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Richard T. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 471) of Richard T. Moore, Sal N. DiDomenico and James B. Eldridge for legislation relative pancreatic cancer screening. Financial Services.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to pancreatic cancer screening.

*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 32A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 17J the following section:-

3 Section 17K. Any coverage offered by the commission to an active or retired employee  
4 of the commonwealth insured under the group insurance commission shall provide coverage for  
5 early screening and detection for pancreatic cancer. An increase in patient cost sharing for  
6 anticancer medications shall not be allowed to achieve compliance with this section.

7 SECTION 2. Chapter 175 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
8 inserting after section 47BB. the following section:-

9 Section 47CC. Any policy, contract, agreement, plan or certificate of insurance issued,  
10 delivered or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide coverage for early screening and  
11 detection for pancreatic cancer. An increase in patient cost sharing for anticancer medications  
12 shall not be allowed to achieve compliance with this section.

13 SECTION 3. Chapter 176A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
14 inserting after section 8EE the following section:-

15 Section 8FF. Any contract between a subscriber and the corporation under an individual  
16 or group hospital service plan which is delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth  
17 shall provide coverage for early screening and detection for pancreatic cancer. An increase in  
18 patient cost sharing for anticancer medications shall not be allowed to achieve compliance with  
19 this section.

20 SECTION 4. Chapter 176B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
21 inserting after section 4EE the following section:-

22 Section 4FF. Any subscription certificate under an individual or group medical service  
23 agreement delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall provide coverage for  
24 early screening and detection for pancreatic cancer. An increase in patient cost sharing for  
25 anticancer medications shall not be allowed to achieve compliance with this section.

26 SECTION 5. Chapter 176G of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
27 inserting after section 4W the following section:-

28 Section 4X. Any individual or group health maintenance contract shall provide coverage  
29 for early screening and detection for pancreatic cancer. An increase in patient cost sharing for  
30 anticancer medications shall not be allowed to achieve compliance with this section.

31 SECTION 6. Sections 1 to 5, inclusive, shall apply to all policies, contracts and  
32 certificates of health insurance subject to section 17K of chapter 32A, section 47CC of chapter  
33 175, section 8FF of chapter 176A, section 4FF of chapter 176B and section 4X of chapter 176G  
34 of the General Laws which are delivered, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2014.