

**SENATE . . . . . No. 512**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Benjamin B. Downing***

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*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 Commonwealth Care eligibility.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Benjamin B. Downing*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden*

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By Mr. Downing, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 512) of Benjamin B. Downing for legislation relative to Commonwealth Care eligibility. Health Care Financing.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ SENATE  
□ , NO. 496 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to Commonwealth Care eligibility.

*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 118H of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 224 of the Acts  
2 of 2012, is hereby amended by inserting, in section 3, in subsection (a) the following new  
3 clause:-

4 (6) An individual is self-employed as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 12C, and the  
5 increase in the individual’s private insurance premium exceeds the average premium increase for  
6 private insurers in the state, as determined by the division of insurance, by more than 10 percent.