

SENATE No. 593

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia D. Jehlen

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 eliminating age discrimination in the MassHealth program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Barbara L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>

Paul Tucker

7th Essex

Edward F. Coppinger

10th Suffolk

Sal N. DiDomenico

Middlesex and Suffolk

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By Ms. Jehlen, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 593) of Patricia D. Jehlen, Jason M. Lewis, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., William C. Galvin and other members of the General Court for legislation to eliminate age discrimination in the MassHealth program. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 522 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act eliminating age discrimination in the MassHealth program.

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 12 of chapter one hundred and eighteen E is hereby amended by
2 adding at the end thereof, the following new language:

3 The Division shall ensure that the income and asset criteria for individuals over age 65
4 shall be no stricter than the income and asset eligibility for disabled individuals under age 65 as
5 of July 1, 2012.