

SENATE No. 596

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James E. Timilty

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 coordination of benefit forms.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

James E. Timilty

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Bristol and Norfolk

SENATE No. 596

By Mr. Timilty, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 596) of James E. Timilty for legislation relative to coordination of benefit forms. Financial Services.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to coordination of benefit forms.

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 is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 17N the following section:-

3 Section 17P. Any coverage offered by the commission to an active or retired employee of
4 the commonwealth insured under the group insurance commission shall not deny or seek to
5 recoup reimbursement to a provider due to a patients’ failure to complete a Coordination of
6 Benefit form, questionnaire, phone survey or other insurance form.

7 SECTION 2. Chapter 175 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
8 section 47GG the following section:-

9 Section 47JJ. The following shall not deny or seek to recoup reimbursement to a
10 provider due to a patients’ failure to complete a Coordination of Benefit form, questionnaire,
11 phone survey or other insurance form.

12 SECTION 3. Chapter 176A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
13 section 8II the following section:-

14 Section 8LL:. Any contract between a subscriber and the corporation under an individual
15 or group hospital service plan which is delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth
16 shall not deny or seek to recoup reimbursement to a provider due to a patients' failure to
17 complete a Coordination of Benefit form, questionnaire, phone survey or other insurance form.

18 SECTION 4. Chapter 176B of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
19 section 4II the following section:-

20 Section 4LL. Any subscription certificate under an individual or group medical service
21 agreement delivered, issued or renewed within the commonwealth shall not deny or seek to
22 recoup reimbursement to a provider due to a patients' failure to complete a Coordination of
23 Benefit form, questionnaire, phone survey or other insurance form.

24 SECTION 5. Chapter 176G of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
25 section 4AA the following section:-

26 Section 4DD. Any individual or group health maintenance contract shall not deny or
27 seek to recoup reimbursement to a provider due to a patients' failure to complete a Coordination
28 of Benefit form, questionnaire, phone survey or other insurance form.