

SENATE No. 639

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis

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 to update Medicaid resource limits for seniors.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | |
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| <i>Jason M. Lewis</i> | <i>Fifth Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Brendan P. Crighton</i> | <i>11th Essex</i> | <i>1/25/2017</i> |
| <i>Thomas M. McGee</i> | <i>Third Essex</i> | <i>1/25/2017</i> |
| <i>Jack Lewis</i> | <i>7th Middlesex</i> | <i>1/25/2017</i> |
| <i>Denise Provost</i> | <i>27th Middlesex</i> | <i>1/31/2017</i> |
| <i>Mike Connolly</i> | <i>26th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/1/2017</i> |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> | <i>2/1/2017</i> |
| <i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i> | <i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i> | <i>2/1/2017</i> |
| <i>Mary S. Keefe</i> | <i>15th Worcester</i> | <i>2/2/2017</i> |
| <i>Marjorie C. Decker</i> | <i>25th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/3/2017</i> |
| <i>Joan B. Lovely</i> | <i>Second Essex</i> | <i>2/3/2017</i> |
| <i>William N. Brownsberger</i> | <i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i> | <i>2/3/2017</i> |
| <i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i> | <i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i> | <i>2/6/2017</i> |
| <i>Michael O. Moore</i> | <i>Second Worcester</i> | <i>2/8/2017</i> |
| <i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i> | <i>Second Middlesex</i> | <i>2/15/2017</i> |

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By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 639) of Jason M. Lewis, Brendan P. Crighton, Thomas M. McGee, Jack Lewis and other members of the General Court for legislation to update Medicaid resource limits for seniors. Health Care Financing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to update Medicaid resource limits for seniors.

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 25 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (5) the following:

3 (6) resources in an amount determined annually in accordance with 42 U.S.C. §1395w-
4 114(a)(3), the criteria used for a Medicare Part D low- income subsidy for individuals with
5 income up to 135 percent of the federal poverty level.

6 The division shall file for any necessary waiver, amend its state plan to the extent
7 required by law and promulgate regulations to implement said resource exemption.