

SENATE No. 648

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joan B. Lovely

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 regarding MassHealth applications.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	
<i>Jose F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>

<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>John J. Mahoney</i>	<i>13th Worcester</i>	<i>2/6/2017</i>

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By Ms. Lovely, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 648) of Joan B. Lovely, Jose F. Tosado, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., Mathew Muratore and other members of the General Court relative to providing for a presumptive eligibility program for MassHealth applicants. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1181 OF 2015-2016.]

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

An Act regarding MassHealth applications.

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 9 of Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 211 of the Acts
2 of 2010, is hereby amended by inserting, after the words “long-term care needs of the
3 individuals,” the following:-

4 The division shall provide, without requiring prior authorization, for up to sixty (60) days
5 of eligibility for MassHealth home and Community Based Services, including personal care
6 services, for individuals who, upon discharge from an acute hospital, medical center, nursing
7 facility, or health care facility including rehabilitation facilities and state hospitals, are presumed
8 to be financially eligible for the MassHealth program and clinically eligible for home and
9 community based services, as determined by an Aging Services Access Point or an Independent

- 10 Living Center; provided further the division shall promulgate such standards and regulations as
- 11 may be necessary for the administration of said presumptive eligibility program.