

**SENATE . . . . . No. 987**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Gale D. Candaras***

*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 regarding spouses as caregivers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Gale D. Candaras</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Christopher G. Fallon</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Karen E. Spilka</i>	<i>Second Middlesex and Norfolk</i>
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael R. Knapik</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Candaras, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 987) of Gale D. Candaras, Paul  
McMurtry, Christopher G. Fallon, Sal N. DiDomenico and other members of the General Court  
for legislation to permit spouses to to serve as paid caregivers. Public Health.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE

□ □ SENATE  
□ , NO. 1073 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act regarding spouses as caregivers.

*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 9 of Chapter 118 E is hereby amended by adding in the second  
2 sentence of the second paragraph, after the words “requirements for Title XIX” the following  
3 new language:-- Any program of home and community based services funded pursuant to the  
4 provisions of this chapter or pursuant to the provisions chapter one hundred and eighteen G, in  
5 which family members are permitted to serve as paid caregivers, shall include spouses within the  
6 definition of family member.