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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Charles A. Murphy**

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*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 relative to co-payments and deductibles for chronic diseases.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to co-payments and deductibles for chronic diseases.

 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

 Chapter 58, Section 84 of the Session Laws of 2006 shall be amended by adding the following new section:

“(e) Notwithstanding any General or Special Law no carrier shall be permitted to charge a co-payment or deductible for any prescriptions or devices that are prescribed by a physician that are necessary for the treatment or maintenance of a chronic disease, illness or condition.”