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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Kathi-Anne Reinstein**

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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 the tort liability of hospitals.

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PETITION OF:

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to the tort liability of hospitals.

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

Section 85K of chapter 231 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “costs” in line 8 the following: — provided, however, in the case of a hospital where the tort results in death the liability in any such cause of action shall not be less than $100,000.