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PRESENTED BY:

**James B. Eldridge**

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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 Regarding the Countable Assets of Medical Assistance Recipients.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act Regarding the Countable Assets of Medical Assistance Recipients.

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

 Section 21A of Chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out subsection (2)(i) and replacing it with the following new subsection:

the type and amount of all countable assets; provided that any funds held by the community spouse of an institutionalized applicant or recipient in an Individual Retirement Account, Keogh plan or other pension fund shall be considered a non-countable asset as long as regular income distributions are made from the fund or the community spouse is employed;