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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Mr. Pacheco**

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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 continuation of health insurance in the case of plant closings.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Mr. Pacheco | First Plymouth and Bristol |

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SEE SENATE, NO. S00267 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to continuation of health insurance in the case of plant closings.

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

SECTION 1. Section one hundred and fifty C of chapter one hundred and forty nine A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1992 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting in line 5 after the words "chapter one hundred and seventy-five" the following words:- or a contract for hospital and medical services pursuant to chapter one hundred and seventy-six A and chapter one hundred and seventy-six B or an agreement for dental services pursuant to chapter one hundred and seventy-six E or an agreement for optometric services pursuant to chapter one hundred and seventy-six F or a health maintenance contract pursuant to chapter one hundred and seventy-six G and,.

SECTION 2. Section one hundred and fifty C of chapter one hundred and

forty-nine A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1992 Official Edition, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph as a second paragraph:-

No person shall by a special contract with an employee or by any other means exempt himself from this section. The president and treasurer of a corporation and any officers or agents having the management of such corporation shall be deemed to be a person having employees in his service within the meaning of this section.