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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Mark C. Montigny**

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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 Coverage for Chronic Illness.

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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 Coverage for Chronic Illness.

*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. Chapter 58, Section 84 of the Session Laws of 2006 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. The department of public health shall adopt regulations further defining a chronic disease, illness or condition.