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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Brian A. Joyce**

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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 group 4 for health care professionals.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Brian A. Joyce | Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S01521 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 group 4 for health care professionals.

*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 3 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words “for ten years or more;” in line 337 the following new words:--

“employees whose regular and major duties require them to be licensed health care professionals, employed in such capacity for ten or more years who provide treatment for or are responsible for the care of persons who are prisoners, or persons who are forensically involved, mentally ill or mentally retarded or chronically psychologically impaired or persons whose chronic infectious disease exposes these employees to disabling injuries, violent acts or risk of chronic infectious disease;