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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Menard, Joan (SEN)**

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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 public hearings of the group insurance commission.

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PETITION OF:

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| David J. Holway, SEIU/NAGE President | 159 Burgin ParkwayQuincy, MA 02169 |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01575 OF 2007-2008.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to public hearings of the group insurance commission.

 *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 32A, Section 3, shall be further amended by adding the following to the existing text, to follow the words, “including the cost thereof”:— “The commission shall be required to hold public hearings prior to changing requirements for copayments, deductibles, or other benefits.”