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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Moore, Richard (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 to Promote Electronic Transmission of Health Care Transactions.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act to Promote Electronic Transmission of Health Care Transactions.

*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 176O of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 20, the following new section:

Section 21. Beginning January 1, 2010, all hospitals, physician practices and carriers shall conduct the following transactions electronically:

1. Eligibility for a health plan transaction, as described under Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, part 162, subpart L;

2. Health care payment and remittance advise transaction, as described under Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, part 162, subpart P;

3. Health care claims or equivalent encounter information transaction, as described under Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, part 162, subpart K;