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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 Require the Division of Medical Assistance to Provide Adequate Rates

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PETITION OF:

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S00670 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act to Require the Division of Medical Assistance to Provide Adequate Rates.

*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 11 of Chapter 118G (b) is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence:

“The Division of Medical Assistance shall ensure that any third party payor responsible for the provision of behavioral health benefits for medical assistance recipients provide annual rate adjustments to all network hospitals not less than the Medical Consumer Price Increase for All Urban Consumers for the most recently completed state fiscal year”.