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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Ms. Jehlen**

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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 eliminating age discrimination in the MassHealth program.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act eliminating age discrimination in the MassHealth program .

 *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 12 of chapter one hundred and eighteen E is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof, the following new language:

The Division shall ensure that the income and asset criteria for individuals over age 65 shall be no stricter than the income and asset eligibility for disabled individuals under age 65 as of July 1, 2008.