

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert F. Fennell

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 diagnostic screening for prostate cancer. .

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Robert F. Fennell	10th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 946 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO DIAGNOSTIC SCREENING FOR PROSTATE CANCER. .

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, every contract
2 which provides coverage for hospital, surgical or medical care shall provide the following
3 coverage for diagnostic screening for prostatic cancer:
4 (i) upon the recommendation of a physician, medically recognized diagnostic testing including,
5 but not limited to, a digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography and prostate-specific
6 antigen test at any age for covered persons having a prior history of prostate cancer; and (ii) an
7 annual medically recognized diagnostic examination including, but not limited to, a digital
8 rectal examination, trans-rectal ultrasonography and a prostate-specific antigen test for all men
9 aged forty and over.