

**HOUSE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Martin J. Walsh**

*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 improving injured workers' access to adequate medical care.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Martin J. Walsh

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

13th Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1864 OF 2007-2008.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO IMPROVING INJURED WORKERS' ACCESS TO ADEQUATE  
MEDICAL CARE.

*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 13 of chapter 152 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition  
2 is hereby amended in the first paragraph by adding at the end of the paragraph the following new  
3 sentence:-- "An administrative judge shall have the authority to determine the rate for said health  
4 care services if the insurer, employer and the health care service provider cannot agree or if  
5 equity and justice requires a rate other than so provided."

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