

**SENATE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Mark C. Montigny**

*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 Coverage for Chronic Illness.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Mark C. Montigny

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Bristol and Plymouth

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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## AN ACT RELATIVE TO COVERAGE FOR CHRONIC ILLNESS.

*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. Chapter 58, Section 84 of the Session Laws of 2006 adding the following new section (e),
- 2 notwithstanding any General or Special Law no carrier shall be permitted to charge a co-payment or
- 3 deductible for any prescriptions or devices that are prescribed by a physician that are necessary for the
- 4 treatment or maintenance of a chronic disease, illness or condition. The department of public health
- 5 shall adopt regulations further defining a chronic disease, illness or condition.