

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

**Ms. Walsh**  
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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 relative to fairness in health insurance.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

Ms. Walsh

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Suffolk and Norfolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S02527 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 FAIRNESS IN HEALTH INSURANCE.

*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.** Paragraph (d) of section 2 of chapter 32A of the General Laws, as appearing in the  
2 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first sentence the following  
3 sentence:- This definition shall include the spouse of an employee, whether or not party to an  
4 agreement or judgment for separate support or maintenance, if there has not been a judgment  
5 absolute of divorce terminating the marriage.  
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- 7 **SECTION 2.** Subsection (a) of section 11A of said chapter 32A, as so appearing, is hereby  
8 amended by striking out, in line 2, the words “or of separate support”.  
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- 10 **SECTION 3.** Subsection (c) of said section 11A of said chapter 32A, as so appearing, is hereby  
11 amended by striking out, in lines 28, 29 and 32, the words “or separated”, in each instance.