

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Moore, Richard (SEN)

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 MassHealth Enrollment for Persons Leaving Correctional Facilities

PETITION OF:

NAME:

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DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Worcester and Norfolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01253 OF .]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

**AN ACT RELATIVE TO MASSHEALTH ENROLLMENT FOR PERSONS LEAVING
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.**

*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 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official
2 Edition, is amended by adding the following new section:--

3 Section 61. The division, in collaboration with the Department of Correction, county
4 jails, and county houses of correction, shall establish a system of medical care such that persons
5 who will become eligible for MassHealth benefits upon release from Massachusetts correctional
6 facilities shall begin receiving benefits immediately upon such release.