

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Robert A. O'Leary**

*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 Potential Anti-Competitive Behavior by Hospitals and Payers.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Robert A. O'Leary

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Cape and Islands

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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## AN ACT RELATIVE TO POTENTIAL ANTI-COMPETITIVE BEHAVIOR BY HOSPITALS AND PAYERS.

*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 the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the office of
- 2 the attorney general shall conduct a study addressing potential anti-competitive behavior by hospitals
- 3 and insurance carriers in the commonwealth. The attorney general shall issue a report summarizing its
- 4 findings and making recommendations not later than December 31, 2009, and shall file such report with
- 5 the joint committee on health care financing.