

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Ms. Jehlen**

*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 to Expedite Insurance Coverage for New Employees of the Commonwealth .

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Ms. Jehlen

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Middlesex

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine  
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## AN ACT TO EXPEDITE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR NEW EMPLOYEES OF THE COMMONWEALTH .

*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 32A of the General is hereby amended by adding the following  
2 section:-

3           Section 24. Notwithstanding any other general or special law or rule or regulation to  
4 the contrary, new employees who are eligible for coverage and employees newly-eligible for  
5 coverage shall, upon enrollment in a health insurance plan offered by the commission, be  
6 immediately eligible for the benefits of such coverage. The commission shall not make any rules  
7 or regulations or otherwise require a waiting period for benefits coverage.