

HOUSE No. 01188

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kay Khan

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 insurance coverage for mental health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Kay Khan of Newton, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 01188) of Tom Sannicandro and others relative to insurance coverage for mental health. Joint Committee on Financial Services.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 937 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to insurance coverage for mental health.

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 Laws as so appearing is hereby further amended in
- 2 section 22 subsection (g) by inserting, in line 83 after the word “license.”, the following:--
- 3 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this chapter, section 22(i), shall be
- 4 able to provide treatment to the insured not limited to that individual’s participation as a network
- 5 credentialed provider.
- 6 SECTION 2. Chapter 175 of the General Laws as so appearing is hereby further amended in
- 7 section 47B subsection (g) by inserting, in line 86 after the word “license.”, the following:--

8 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this chapter, section 22(i), shall be
9 able to provide treatment to the insured not limited to that individual's participation as a network
10 credentialed provider.

11 SECTION 3. Chapter 176A of the General Laws as so appearing is hereby further amended in
12 section 8A subsection (g) by inserting, in line 84 after the word "license.", the following:--

13 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this chapter, section 22(i), shall be
14 able to provide treatment to the insured not limited to that individual's participation as a network
15 credentialed provider.

16 SECTION 4. Chapter 176B of the General Laws as so appearing is hereby further amended in
17 section 4A subsection (g) by inserting, in line 86 after the word "license.", the following:--

18 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this chapter, section 22(i), shall be
19 able to provide treatment to the insured not limited to that individual's participation as a network
20 credentialed provider.

21 SECTION 5. Chapter 176G of the General Laws as so appearing is hereby further amended in
22 section 4M subsection (g) by inserting, in line 84 after the word "license.", the following:--

23 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this chapter, section 22(i), shall be
24 able to provide treatment to the insured not limited to that individual's participation as a network
25 credentialed provider.