

HOUSE No. 01530

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.

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 regarding MassHealth applications.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Carl M. Sciortino of Medford, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 01530) of Carl M. Sciortino and others relative to providing for a presumptive eligibility program for MassHealth applicants. Joint Committee on Public Health.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act regarding MassHealth applications.

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 9 of Chapter 118E of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 211 of the Acts of 2006,
2 is hereby amended by inserting, after the words “long-term care needs of the individuals,” the
3 following:-

4 The division shall provide, without requiring prior authorization, for up to sixty (60) days of
5 eligibility for MassHealth home and Community Based Services, including personal care
6 services, for individuals who, upon discharge from an acute hospital, medical center, nursing
7 facility, or health care facility including rehabilitation facilities and state hospitals, are presumed
8 to be financially eligible for the MassHealth program and clinically eligible for home and
9 community based services, as determined by an Aging Services Access Point or an Independent
10 Living Center; provided further the division shall promulgate such standards and regulations as
11 may be necessary for the administration of said presumptive eligibility program.