

HOUSE No. 2407

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Angelo M. Scaccia

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to require equitable payment from the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bud Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jose F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Scaccia of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2407) of Angelo M. Scaccia and others for legislation to provide that network hospitals be compensated for behavioral health services to certain MassHealth patients. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1819 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act to require equitable payment from 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. Section 16 of chapter 6A, as appearing in the 2008 Official edition of the
2 General Laws, is amended by adding, at the end thereof, the following new paragraph:

3 "And provided further that the secretary of the executive office of health and human
4 services shall ensure that network hospitals are compensated at their full negotiated rate for
5 behavioral health services provided to MassHealth patients who are also clients of agencies
6 within the executive office of health and human services and for whom no appropriate alternative
7 placement is available. Provided however, such compensation shall only be provided if the
8 hospital can document that it has engaged in good faith efforts to place said clients in any
9 appropriate alternative setting."