

HOUSE No. 284

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kip A. Diggs

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 reduce the burden of medical debt.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kip A. Diggs</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Jon Santiago</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/8/2023</i>

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By Representative Diggs of Barnstable, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 284) of Kip A. Diggs and Jon Santiago relative to medical debt consumer credit reports. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act to reduce the burden of medical debt.

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 52 of chapter 93 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after clause (6) the following clause:-

3 (7) Information concerning medical debt arising from the receipt of health care services.

4 SECTION 2. Said section 52 of said chapter 93 of the General Laws, as so appearing is
5 further amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting in place thereof the following
6 subsection:-

7 (b) Except for subsection (7), the provisions of subsection (a) are not applicable in the
8 case of any consumer credit report to be used in connection with –

9 (1) a credit transaction involving, or which may reasonably be expected to involve, a
10 principal amount of fifty thousand dollars or more; or

- 11 (2) the underwriting of life insurance involving, or which may reasonably be expected to
- 12 involve, a face amount of fifty thousand dollars or more.