

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2972**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*David M. Nangle*

*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 relative to pediatric plans of care.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*David M. Nangle*

*17th Middlesex*

*Rady Mom*

*18th Middlesex*

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By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2972) of David M. Nangle and Rady Mom relative to the maximum allowable number of treatments for certain pediatric care plans. Financial Services.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 923 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to pediatric plans of care.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any child who is being treated  
2 for a disability by a provider or therapist licensed under Chapter 112 of the general laws and has  
3 a plan of care which is filed with the insurer by the provider or therapist during any one calendar  
4 year, and such plan calls for treatment which exceeds the maximum allowable annual treatment  
5 sessions under the child's insured plan under Chapter 175 of the general laws shall be granted  
6 that maximum allowable number of treatments under the plan of care on an annual basis without  
7 further authorization from the insurer on a periodic basis. The insurer shall authorize access to all  
8 treatments as filed within the plan of care at the beginning of each calendar year. The provider  
9 or therapist shall file quarterly reports with the insurer documenting that the treatment is ongoing  
10 and that continued treatment is medically necessary.