HOUSE No. 3766

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas A. Golden, 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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to co-payments for cancer testing.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Thomas A. Golden, Jr.	16th Middlesex
Carole A. Fiola	6th Bristol
Rebecca L. Rausch	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol
Natalie M. Blais	1st Franklin
Mathew J. Muratore	1st Plymouth
James Arciero	2nd Middlesex
Steven S. Howitt	4th Bristol
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire
Marc R. Pacheco	First Plymouth and Bristol
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex
Paul Brodeur	32nd Middlesex
Kevin G. Honan	17th Suffolk
Carlos González	10th Hampden
Linda Dean Campbell	15th Essex
Brian W. Murray	10th Worcester

Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden
Michael S. Day	31st Middlesex
Rady Mom	18th Middlesex

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By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3766) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and others relative to the cost of cancer screenings or evaluations by health insurers. Financial Services.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act relative to co-payments for cancer testing.

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

- 1 Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby 2 amended by adding the following section:-
- 3 Section 225. (a) Every health insurance plan shall provide coverage to any person seeking
- 4 coverage for the cost of any cancer screening or evaluation as recommended by the American
- 5 Cancer Society upon the referral of such person's primary care physician or treating physician.
- 6 Such screenings shall be deemed to be medically necessary for the purposes of coverage by any
- 7 insurance plan, including but not limited to any such insured under chapter 32A, 175, 176A,
- 8 176B or 176G or any other general or special law.
- 9 (b) Cancer screening services performed under this section shall not be subject to any co-
- payment, deductible, coinsurance or other cost-sharing requirement.