

**SENATE . . . . . No. 371**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Daniel A. Wolf*

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 regarding Medicaid eligibility for seniors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Daniel A. Wolf</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Barbara L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>
<i>Brian A. Joyce</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kathleen O'Connor Ives</i>	<i>First Essex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Madden</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Anthony W. Petrucci</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>

*Chris Walsh*  
*Sal N. DiDomenico*

*6th Middlesex*  
*Middlesex and Suffolk*

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By Mr. Wolf, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 371) of Daniel A. Wolf, Jason M. Lewis, Michael O. Moore, Benjamin Swan and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to Medicaid eligibility for seniors. Elder Affairs.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act regarding Medicaid eligibility for seniors.

*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 25 of chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 striking out subsection (1) in its entirety and replacing it with the following new subsection:-

3 (1) Monthly income in an amount not exceeding the level equivalent of 135% of the  
4 federal poverty level;

5 SECTION 2. Section 25 of chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
6 inserting after subsection (5) the following:

7 (6) resources in an amount determined annually in accordance with 42 U.S.C. §1395w-  
8 114(a)(3), the criteria used for a Medicare Part D low- income subsidy for individuals with  
9 income up to 150 percent of the federal poverty level.

10 The division shall file for any necessary waiver, amend its state plan to the extent  
11 required by law and promulgate regulations to implement said resource exemption.