

SENATE No. 00510

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia D. Jehlen

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An act providing an alternative to institutional care.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>David B. Sullivan</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Gale D. Candaras</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Susan C. Fargo</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>
<i>Gloria L. Fox</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kathi-Anne Reinstein</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>

Theodore C. Speliotis

13th Essex

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By Ms. Jehlen, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 510) of Sullivan, Speliotis, Smizik and other members of the General Court for legislation to regard MassHealth applications [Joint Committee on Health Care Financing].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ SENATE
□ , NO. 543 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An act providing an alternative to institutional 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 SECTION 1. The division shall provide, within forty-eight hours of a request, up to sixty (60)
2 days of eligibility for MassHealth home and community based services, including personal care
3 services, for individuals who, upon discharge from an acute hospital, medical center, nursing
4 facility, or health care facility including rehabilitation facilities and state hospitals, are eligible
5 for the MassHealth program and permanently or temporarily clinically eligible for home and
6 community based services, as determined by an aging services access point, an independent
7 living center, senior care options provider, or program for all-inclusive services for the elderly;
8 provided further the division shall promulgate such standards and regulations as may be
9 necessary for the administration of said provision of services.