## **SENATE**

# . No. 00532

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Richard T. Moore

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 relative to eligibility for coverage.

#### PETITION OF:

Richard T. Moore  Ruth B. Balser  James B. Eldridge  Middlesex and Worcester  St. Middlesex
James B. Eldridge Middlesex and Worcester
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David Paul Linsky 5th Middlesex
Peter V. Kocot 1st Hampshire
John W. Scibak 2nd Hampshire

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By Mr. Moore, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 532) of Scibak, Linsky, Kocot and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to eligibility for coverage [Joint Committee on Health Care Financing].

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to eligibility for coverage.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, an
- 2 individual who is employed in a social services program as defined in section one of chapter
- 3 118G shall be an "Eligible individual" as that term is defined in section 1 of chapter 176J and in
- 4 section 1 of chapter 176Q regardless of whether or not he or she is seeking individual coverage
- 5 to replace an employer-sponsored health plan for which the individual is eligible and which
- 6 provides coverage that is at least actuarially equivalent to minimum creditable coverage.