SENATE No. 00554

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 mandatory prescription drug coverage..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Robert L. Hedlund	Plymouth and Norfolk
Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol, and Middlesex

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By Mr. Tarr, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 554) of Ross, Hedlund, Knapik and other members of the Senate for legislation relative to mandatory prescription drug coverage [Joint Committee on Health Care Financing].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE

□ SENATE , NO. *591* OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to mandatory prescription drug coverage..

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

- SECTION 1. "Section 1 of chapter 111L, as added by section 12 of chapter 58 of the acts
- 2 of 2006, is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the definition of the term "Creditable
- 3 coverage" the following words:- 'Minimum creditable coverage, as defined by the board under
- 4 the authority granted herein, shall not require, in the case of individuals subject to section 2 of
- 5 chapter 58 of the acts of 2006, coverage for prescription drugs."