

**SENATE . . . . . No. 797**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Joan B. Lovely*

*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 premium impact statements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>3/8/2021</i>

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By Ms. Lovely, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 797) of Joan B. Lovely and Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to premium impact statements. Health Care Financing.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 707 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to premium impact statements.

*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. Prior to the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any healthcare or health  
2 insurance related regulation, an agency must file with the secretary of state’s office a public  
3 notice of the proposed action and include a premium impact statement. In the statement, the  
4 agency must consider the impact the proposed action will or will not have on health insurance  
5 premium rates in Massachusetts. The agency must afford the public an opportunity to present  
6 data, views, or arguments related to the impact statement, and prior to adopting the proposed  
7 regulation, the agency must file an amended premium impact statement with the secretary of  
8 state’s office.

9           SECTION 2. Any joint committee, house committee or senate committee may report  
10 favorably any bill or petition relative to health care or health insurance so long as that bill or

11 petition shall have first received a premium impact statement conducted by the center for health  
12 information and analysis. Any joint committee, house committee or senate committee shall refer  
13 all healthcare and health insurance related bills or petitions to an accompanied study order  
14 pending a final report by the center for health information and analysis pursuant to this section.