

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1125**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Ruth B. Balsler***

*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 requiring the Division of Medical Assistance to provide adequate rates.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/15/2019</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>

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By Ms. Balsler of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1125) of Ruth B. Balsler and others relative to annual rate adjustments for certain inpatient behavioral health providers. Health Care Financing.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2223 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)  
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An Act requiring the Division of Medical Assistance to provide adequate rates.

*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 13 of Chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: “ Notwithstanding the foregoing, the  
3 commissioner shall ensure that the division and its contracted health insurers, health plans, health  
4 maintenance organizations, behavioral health management firms and third party administrators  
5 under contact to a Medicaid managed care organization or primary care clinician plan shall  
6 provide annual rate adjustments to all contracted inpatient behavioral health providers which  
7 shall be not less than the medical component of the consumer price index for the most recently  
8 completed state fiscal year.”