

HOUSE No. 1760

By Mr. Aleixo of Taunton, petition of Theodore J. Aleixo, Jr., relative to ascertaining the will of the people with reference to certain questions concerning catastrophic health care and national health services. Health Care.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two.

AN ACT ASCERTAINING THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE WITH REFERENCE TO CERTAIN QUESTIONS CONCERNING CATASTROPHIC HEALTH CARE AND NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES.

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

1 For the purpose of ascertaining the will of the people with
2 reference to certain questions concerning catastrophic health care
3 and national health services, the state secretary shall cause to be
4 placed on the official ballot to be used at the biennial state election
5 in the current year, the subdivided, nonbinding questions, under
6 the following caption and instructions of the voters: —

7 SUBDIVIDED QUESTIONS

8 You may vote for or against subdivision A; and may vote for or
9 against subdivision B.

10 A. Shall the Commonwealth establish a pro-
11 gram which provides financial assistance to indi-
12 viduals and families who, due to financial hard-
13 ship, cannot afford the costs of illnesses or inju-
14 ries which are catastrophic in nature?

Yes

No

15 B. Shall the General Court memorialize the
16 Congress of the United States for enactment of
17 legislation authorizing a program of national
18 health services which provides comprehensive
19 care including preventive, curative and occupa-
20 tional health services and which is community
21 controlled, rationally organized, equitably fi-
22 nanced, free of charge to recipients of such
23 health services and sensitive to the particular
24 health needs of the elderly, working persons,
25 women, minorities and disabled persons?

Yes

No