

# SENATE . . . . . No. 811

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By Mr. McKenna, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 811) of Denis L. McKenna and Samuel Rotondi for legislation to provide for continuity of care for public assistance recipients. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT PROVIDING FOR CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS.

*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 Six of chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by inserting the following sentence in paragraph  
3 two: —

4 The department shall not make any determination or take  
5 any action that affects the continuing care or relocation of  
6 any public assistance recipient admitted to any hospital li-  
7 censed by the department of public health as a chronic disease  
8 hospital and any hospital maintained by the commonwealth  
9 providing such care, unless services medically required by the  
10 recipient are, in fact, usually provided to public assistance re-  
11 cipients admitted to non-hospital facilities, within a twenty-  
12 five mile radius of the domicile of any individual recipient or  
13 his family. Determination as to the medical necessity of pa-  
14 tient care, pursuant to this section, shall only be made by the  
15 hospital's utilization review committee, and may only be sub-  
16 ject to review by such peer review and professional standards  
17 review organizations as are established from time to time  
18 under the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §§1395, *et seq.*

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes the need for transparency and accountability in all financial dealings.

### Financial Reporting and Accountability

The second part of the document details the various methods and procedures used for financial reporting. It covers the collection, analysis, and presentation of financial data to stakeholders.

The third part of the document discusses the role of internal controls in ensuring the accuracy and reliability of financial information. It highlights the importance of a strong internal control system.

The fourth part of the document addresses the challenges and risks associated with financial reporting and accountability. It provides insights into how these risks can be effectively managed and mitigated.

The fifth part of the document discusses the impact of external factors, such as regulatory changes and market conditions, on financial reporting and accountability. It offers strategies for navigating these external influences.

The sixth part of the document provides a summary of the key findings and conclusions. It reiterates the importance of financial reporting and accountability in achieving organizational success and long-term sustainability.