

**SENATE . . . . . No. 758**

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By Mr. Sisitsky, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 758) of Alan D. Sisitsky for legislation to provide for notice to medical insurance policyholders as to expiration of coverage for dependent children. Insurance.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NOTICE TO MEDICAL INSURANCE POLICYHOLDERS AS TO EXPIRATION OF COVERAGE FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN.**

*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 108 of chapter 175 of the General Laws  
2 is hereby amended by inserting after subdivision 8 the follow-  
3 ing subdivision: —

4 9. No policy of accident and sickness insurance covering  
5 dependent children under a family plan shall be delivered or  
6 issued for delivery to, or subsequently renewed by, any person  
7 in this commonwealth unless notice of the age at which cover-  
8 age with respect to such children expires is printed on the  
9 first page in either contrasting color or in bold face type at  
10 least four points larger than the type size of the largest type  
11 on that page.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 176A of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 8D the following section:

3 8E. Any contract, which provides for dependent coverage,  
4 between a subscriber and the corporation under an individual  
5 or group hospital service plan which shall be delivered or  
6 issued for delivery or subsequent renewal in the common-  
7 wealth shall include notice of the age at which coverage as  
8 to dependent children expires. Said notice shall be printed on  
9 the first page of such contract in either contrasting color or  
10 in bold face type at least four points larger than the type size  
11 of the largest type on that page.

1 SECTION 3. Chapter 176B of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 4D the following sec-  
3 tion: —

4 4E. Any subscription certificate, which provides for de-  
5 pendent coverage, under an individual or group medical serv-  
6 ice agreement which shall be delivered or issued for delivery  
7 or subsequently renewed in the commonwealth shall include  
8 notice of the age at which coverage as to dependent children  
9 expires. Said notice shall be printed on the face of such sub-  
10 scription certificate in either contrasting color or in bold face  
11 type at least four points larger than the type size of the larg-  
12 est type on that page.