

# SENATE . . . . . No. 717

By Ms. Wilkerson, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 717) of Dianne Wilkerson, Robert S. Hargraves, Mary Jane Simmons, Carol A. Donovan, Alvin E. Thompson and Patricia D. Jehlen for legislation to provide health insurance coverage for certain gynecological services. Insurance.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Seven.

### AN ACT TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN GYNECOLOGICAL 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 Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1994  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 5Q  
3 the following section:—

4 Section 5R: The department shall promulgate rules and regula-  
5 tions for the availability and coverage of certain gynecological  
6 services in addition to those currently mandated by the  
7 Commonwealth. Such rules and regulations shall require that all  
8 health insurers licensed within the Commonwealth offer full cov-  
9 erage of the entire procedures of the following gynecological  
10 services, including but not limited to: contraceptive services and  
11 prescriptions; including but not limited to devices, contraceptive  
12 pills, norplant (insertion and extraction), and depo-provera; and  
13 other services including but not limited to estrogen replacement  
14 therapy.

