

By Mr. Pedone of Worcester, petition of Vincent A. Pedone relative to providing insurance coverage for the treatment of port wine facial stains. Insurance.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT PROVIDING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE TREATMENT OF PORT WINE STAINS.

*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. Chapter 175 of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 47S the following section:—

3 Section 47T. Any individual policy of accident and sickness  
4 insurance issued pursuant to section 108, and any group blanket  
5 policy of accident and sickness insurance issued pursuant to  
6 section 110, shall provide coverage for continuous-wave laser and  
7 scanning device treatment of port wine stains.

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

3 Section 8T. Any contract between a subscriber and the corpora-  
4 tion under an individual or group hospital service plan that shall  
5 be delivered, issued or renewed in the commonwealth shall pro-  
6 vide, as benefits to all individual subscribers and members within  
7 the commonwealth and to all group members having a principal  
8 place of employment within the commonwealth, coverage for con-  
9 tinuous-wave laser and scanning device treatment of port-wine  
10 stains.

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

3 Section 4R. Any subscription certificate under an individual or  
4 group medical service agreement that shall be delivered, issued or

5 renewed in the commonwealth shall provide as benefits to all indi-  
6 vidual subscribers and members within the commonwealth and to  
7 all group members having a principal place of employment within  
8 the commonwealth, coverage for continuous-wave laser and scan-  
9 ning device treatment of port-wine stains.

1 SECTION 4. Chapter 176G of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 4I the following section:—

3 Section 4J. Any individual or group health maintenance con-  
4 tract shall provide as set forth in section 47T of chapter 175 cov-  
5 erage for continuous-wave laser and scanning device treatment of  
6 port wine stains.

