

HOUSE No. 1011

By Mr. Pedone of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1011) of Vincent A. Pedone relative to medical malpractice insurance policies for certain obstetricians and gynecologists. Financial Services.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Vincent A. Pedone

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to recruit and retain certain physicians in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Vincent A. Pedone

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

15th Worcester

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN CERTAIN PHYSICIANS IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

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. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 112 or Chapter 175 of the General Laws
2 or any other general or special law to the contrary, every risk management organization which provides
3 professional liability insurance to a registered physician in the Commonwealth shall offer policies for
4 prorated or rate credit premiums for board certified obstetricians / gynecologists who choose to practice in
5 a part-time capacity and board certified gynecologists who treat pregnant patients to 40 weeks gestation
6 who choose to practice in a part-time capacity.

7 SECTION 2. The Commissioner of Insurance is hereby directed to promulgate rules and
8 regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 30A of the General laws to implement the
9 provisions of Section 1 of this Act. Said regulations shall include but not be limited to the establishment
10 of the minimum and maximum number of monthly surgeries and hours of practice for said board
11 certified obstetrician / gynecologists to qualify for such prorated or rate credit premium and the minimum
12 and maximum hours of practice for said board certified gynecologists treating pregnant patients to 40
13 weeks gestation.