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HOUSE . . . . . No. 2221

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Louis L. Kafka

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:

An Act providing for certain exemptions from jury duty.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Louis L. Kafka	*8th Norfolk*
Jennifer E. Benson	*37th Middlesex*
George T. Ross	*2nd Bristol*
James J. Dwyer	*30th Middlesex*
David B. Sullivan	*6th Bristol*
William C. Galvin	*6th Norfolk*

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By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2221) of Louis L. Kafka and others relative to certain providers of health care services being exempt from jury duty. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *1460* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act providing for certain exemptions from jury duty.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4 of Chapter 234A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1994 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clauses:-

9. Such person is the primary provider of health care services to another person who relies on said services and the performance of juror service would cause a risk of injury to the health of the recipient of said services. A person shall be entitled to this disqualification whether or not he receives compensation for the provision of said health care services. Any person claiming this disqualification shall submit a letter from a registered physician stating the name and address of the recipient of the health care services, the nature of the daily care provided, and the physician's opinion that the performance of juror service would cause a risk of injury to the health of such recipient of health care services.

10. Such person is a full time college student. This exemption from service shall occur only for the period of formal full time education. Students shall become subject to jury duty pending the end of formal full time education.