

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 990**

By Ms. Khan of Newton, petition of Kay Khan and others relative to insurance coverage for mental health. Financial Services.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PETITION OF:

Kay Khan  
Ruth B. Balsler

Walter F. Tamily  
Christine E. Canavan

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MENTAL HEALTH.

*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 32A of the General Laws as so appearing is  
2 hereby further amended in Section 22 subsection (g) by inserting, in  
3 line 83 after the word “license.”, the following:—  
4 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this  
5 chapter, Section 22(i), shall be able to provide treatment to the  
6 insured not limited to that individual’s participation as a network  
7 credentialed provider.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 175 of the General Laws as so appearing is  
2 hereby further amended in Section 47B subsection (g) by inserting,  
3 in line 86 after the word “license.”, the following:—  
4 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this  
5 chapter, Section 22(i), shall be able to provide treatment to the  
6 insured not limited to that individual’s participation as a network  
7 credentialed provider.

1 SECTION 3. Chapter 176A of the General Laws as so appearing  
2 is hereby further amended in section 8A subsection (g) by inserting,  
3 in line 84 after the word “license.”, the following:—

4 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this  
5 chapter, Section 22(i), shall be able to provide treatment to the  
6 insured not limited to that individual's participation as a network  
7 credentialed provider.

1 SECTION 4. Chapter 176B of the General Laws as so appearing  
2 is hereby further amended in section 4A subsection (g) by inserting,  
3 in line 86 after the word "license.," the following:—

4 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this  
5 chapter, Section 22(i), shall be able to provide treatment to the  
6 insured not limited to that individual's participation as a network  
7 credentialed provider.

1 SECTION 5. Chapter 176G of the General Laws as so appearing  
2 is hereby further amended in section 4M subsection (g) by inserting,  
3 in line 84 after the word "license.," the following:—

4 Any willing licensed mental health professional as defined in this  
5 chapter, Section 22(i), shall be able to provide treatment to the  
6 insured not limited to that individual's participation as a network  
7 credentialed provider.