

HOUSE No. 1525

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, petition of Louis L. Kafka that certain providers of health care services be exempt from jury duty. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

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:

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

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

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