

Fact Sheet – Senate Bill 576 and Senate Bill 581

Senate Bill 576 *An Act Relative to the Determination of Need for Independently Licensed/Commercial Laboratories*

Senate Bill 581 *An Act Relative to Parity in Calculating Surcharges and Health Safety Net Trust Fund Liability Assessments for Acute Hospitals, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Specialty Health Care Providers, & Laboratories*

Issue: Currently only the volumes of hospital based clinical laboratories are subject to the Safety Net Trust Fund Assessment Tax, while independent commercial labs escape this tax. Inpatient hospital laboratories are subject to DoN review concerning expansion. Outpatient expansion for all laboratories is not subject to review. Inappropriate growth of free standing commercial labs can undermine the financial viability of inpatient hospital labs, which rely on ambulatory volume to be financially viable.

Top 12 Commercial Laboratory Facilities in Massachusetts	
Name	Test Volume
Quest Diagnostics	25,123,590
Life Laboratories	3,310,200
LabCorp	2,226,113
Calloway Laboratories, Inc.	2,126,000
U.S. Laboratory and Radiology Corp.	1,853,133
Caritas Excell Clinical Laboratories	1,423,455
Diagnostic Laboratory Medicine	1,332,378
Clinical Science Laboratory Inc.	1,247,000
Riverbend Medical Group	692,741
Secon of New England LLC	683,000
Physician Diagnostics Laboratory	675,097
Pentucket Medical Associates, LLC	628,306
TOTAL	41,321,013
Source: Washington G-2 Reports from CLIA Provider Application Files/2006 and the Massachusetts Division of Health Care Quality Clinical Laboratory Program.	

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Top 12 Hospital Laboratory Facilities in Massachusetts	
Name	Test Volume
Baystate Medical Center	38,671,495
MGH Department of Pathology	10,862,914
Brigham and Women's Hospital	8,559,197
Lahey Clinic Medical Center	5,125,511
Beth Israel Deacon Medical Center/East	4,138,967
Salem Hospital Lab	4,035,764
Charlton Memorial Hospital Lab	4,026,659
UMass Memorial Medical Center*	3,710,908
Newton Wellesley Hospital	3,687,396
Winchester Hospital	3,243,500
Berkshire Medical Center Laboratory	3,170,677
St. Luke's Hospital Laboratory	2,992,455
TOTAL	92,225,443

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