

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James J. O'Day

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to increase the Commonwealth's compliance with federal law meeting requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Joan B. Lovely	Second Essex
Barbara L'Italien	Second Essex and Middlesex
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex
Mary S. Keefe	15th Worcester
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex
Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.	28th Middlesex
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
John H. Rogers	12th Norfolk
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Steven Ultrino	33rd Middlesex
Anne M. Gobi	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and
	Middlesex
Denise C. Garlick	13th Norfolk

Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden
Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex
Walter F. Timilty	7th Norfolk
John J. Mahoney	13th Worcester
Kate Hogan	3rd Middlesex
Antonio F. D. Cabral	13th Bristol
Daniel J. Hunt	13th Suffolk
Frank I. Smizik	15th Norfolk
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex
Alice Hanlon Peisch	14th Norfolk
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk

By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 110) of James J. O'Day and others for legislation to increase the Commonwealth's compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act to increase the Commonwealth's compliance with federal law meeting requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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. Section 61 of chapter 7 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008

2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after subsection (q) the following paragraphs: -

The Executive Office of Administration and Finance, with input from the disability community, shall develop standards to identify and recruit with the intent to hire qualified applicants with disabilities; said standards shall apply to all contractors and sub-contractors providing goods and services under multi-year contracts or grants funded by agencies within the Executive Offices of the Commonwealth. Standards shall include a commitment to hiring people with disabilities and training all employees involved in hiring decisions on the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The Executive Office Administration and Finance shall report its findings, which shall
include the progress made toward achieving this employment goal by enumerating percentages

of people with disabilities employed by total head count and new hires at the beginning and end
of contract period, to the Clerk of the House of Representatives; the Clerk of the Senate; the Joint
Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities; and the Joint Committee on
Labor and Workforce Development no later than October 31, 2015, and thereafter, no later than
October 31 annually.