

HOUSE No. 164

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to job opportunities for people with disabilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester District
James Dwyer	30th Middlesex
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Steven J. D'Amico	4th Bristol
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Ann-Margaret Ferrante	5th Essex
Barbara A. L'Italien	18th Essex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

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 16 of chapter 6 A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 The executive office of health and human services shall develop standards to identify, earmark
4 and recruit with intent to hire qualified applicants with disabilities; said standard shall apply to all vendors
5 providing direct services under multiyear contracts or grants funded by agencies with the Secretariat;
6 Standards shall include a commitment toward hiring people with disabilities, training all employees
7 involved in hiring decision on the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and annual
8 reporting on progress toward achieving employment goals.