

HOUSE No. 1885

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth I. Gordon

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 ensure funding for the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/13/2023</i>

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By Representative Gordon of Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1885) of Kenneth I. Gordon for legislation to adjust the rate of contributions to the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund. Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1981 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act to ensure funding for the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund.

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 14L of chapter 151A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 6 to 11, and inserting in place thereof
3 the following sentence:-

4 To the extent consistent with federal law, the commissioner shall adjust the rate of said
5 contribution so that the total amount of said contributions in a year substantially equals
6 \$22,000,000, and shall adjust to the same extent the rate of the contribution required by section
7 14.

8 SECTION 2. Said section 14L of said chapter 151A, as so appearing, is hereby further
9 amended by inserting after the word “proceeds”, in line 11, the following words:- up to the
10 amount of \$22,000,000.

11 SECTION 3. Said section 14L of said chapter 151A, as so appearing, is hereby further
12 amended by inserting after subsection (b) the following subsections:-

13 (c) All proceeds collected, pursuant to subsection (a), in excess of \$22,000,000 shall be
14 deposited in the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund, established by section 2WWW of
15 chapter 29.

16 (d) Not later than March 1 of each year, the commissioner shall file a report in writing
17 with the joint committee on labor and workforce development and the house and senate
18 committees on ways and means concerning the collection of the workforce training
19 contributions, pursuant to subsection (a), during the calendar year ending on the preceding
20 December 31, which shall include, but not be limited to: (1) the amount collected in each quarter
21 and the total amount collected for the year; (2) the total number of employers that contributed to
22 the fund, and the total number of employees employed by this group of employers; and (3) the
23 contribution rate, to the extent it differs from 0.056 per cent.