

SENATE No. 2191

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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SENATE, Thursday, March 24, 2016

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Senate Bill establishing the MassMade Program (Senate, No. 2135),-- reports, recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2191).

For the committee,
Karen E. Spilka

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An Act establishing the MassMade Program.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 23A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 10A the
2 following section:-

3 Section 10A ½. (a) The Massachusetts office of business development shall establish a
4 MassMade program which shall identify, connect and support businesses that produce consumer
5 goods in the commonwealth and shall act as a resource for consumers seeking consumer goods
6 made in the commonwealth. The Massachusetts office of business development may consult
7 with and seek input from interested stakeholders and shall work with entities including
8 MassMade businesses, regional economic development organizations, small business
9 associations, chambers of commerce, the supplier diversity office, the Massachusetts marketing
10 partnership and the office of consumer affairs and business regulations in order to collect and
11 provide business and product information related to MassMade businesses. All MassMade
12 program information shall be readily accessible and free to the public.

13 (b) For purposes of this section, the term “MassMade business” shall mean any entity that

14 (i) produces a consumer good in the commonwealth; (ii) is headquartered in the commonwealth

15 or has a principal place of business in the commonwealth; (iii) possesses a certificate of good
16 standing from the office of consumer affairs and business regulation; and (iv) seeks to join the
17 MassMade program.

18 (c) The Massachusetts office of business development may expend such funds as may be
19 appropriate for the MassMade program and as may be appropriated therefor. The Massachusetts
20 office of business development may accept federal funds or private gifts and grants to assist in
21 carrying out this section.

22 (d) The Massachusetts office of business development shall promulgate regulations
23 necessary for the administration of this section.