

HOUSE No. 5666

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 3, 1978.

The committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1374) of Bill Owens, Raymond A. Jordan, Jr., Melvin H. King and Robert L. Fortes that provision be made for the on-the-job training to personnel in halfway houses which enter into contracts with the Department of Correction, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 5666) ought to pass.

For the committee,

DAVID J. MOFENSON.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Eight.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE ON THE JOB TRAINING TO PERSONNEL IN HALFWAY HOUSES CONTRACTED FOR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

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 9 of chapter 125 of the General Laws is hereby amended
2 by adding the following paragraphs: —

3 There shall be within the training academy of the department, a
4 division for the purposes of providing motivational training and
5 counseling techniques to employees of all agencies contracting
6 with the department to provide halfway house services.

7 All employees of said agencies who work directly with persons
8 committed to the custody of the department shall be required to
9 participate in said training which shall be provided by the
10 department either through their training academy or through a
11 contractual agreement with an outside professional agency. Said
12 training shall be provided on an ongoing basis.