

HOUSE No. 2969

By Mr. Finneran of Boston, petition of Thomas M. Finneran for legislation to establish eligibility for continuing educational training programs for welfare recipients. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUING EDUCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR WELFARE RECIPIENTS.

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 one hundred eighteen of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by adding after section 11 the following new section: —
3 *Section 12.* Registrants under the Work Incentive Program
4 (WIN) who desire to participate in a training or educational pro-
5 gram designed to provide them with skills and/or education to
6 improve their employment opportunities shall, consistent with
7 applicable federal law and regulations, be placed in a WIN status
8 which allows them to attend such training for the duration of the
9 training program. When necessary to allow the registrant to com-
10 plete the training program, a waiver of any federal time limitation
11 on training shall be requested from the appropriate federal author-
12 ity. Federal WIN benefits shall be provided whenever possible.
13 Non-WIN training related costs and services shall be provided, for
14 any period for which WIN benefits are not provided, and shall
15 continue for such period as the registrant is attending the training
16 program and for thirty days thereafter or until such time as em-
17 ployment is obtained, whichever comes first.

