

By Mr. Scaccia of Boston, petition of Angelo M. Scaccia relative to the preferred employment of handicapped persons in the public service. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PREFERRED EMPLOYMENT OF HANDICAPPED PERSONS.

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 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1986 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting immediately after section 78A the following new section: —

4 Section 78B. The commission shall adopt regulations providing for the employment of handicapped persons by public agencies and by providers and contractors under contract with public agencies. Said regulations shall establish and provide for the enforcement of a preference for the employment of such handicapped persons, shall provide for a system of notification of job vacancies that shall ensure that handicapped persons and facilities and programs serving mentally ill, mentally retarded and other handicapped persons are given timely information regarding job vacancies, and, subject to appropriation, shall provide for appropriate training, support and informational services designed to increase the employment of such handicapped persons.

16 Section 78C. The commission shall adopt regulations providing for the employment of handicapped persons by private agencies. Said regulations shall establish, subject to appropriation, for the implementation of a system of incentives whereby private agencies shall be encouraged to give preference to the employment of handicapped persons.

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