

By Mr. Teague of Yarmouth, petition of Edward B. Teague III and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide tax credits for corporations offering health insurance to employees. Taxation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five.

AN ACT PROVIDING CREDIT FOR CORPORATIONS OFFERING HEALTH INSURANCE TO THEIR EMPLOYEES.

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 30 of Chapter 63 of the Massachusetts General Laws is
2 hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
3 section:—

4 Section 1. There is hereby established a credit for corporations
5 offering health insurance to their employees. Any corporation
6 which (a) has one or more full time equivalent employees
7 unrelated to its shareholders but no more than fifty of such
8 employees calculated on an average annual basis, shall be
9 allowed a credit against its excise due under this chapter in two
10 consecutive tax years.

11 The amount of such credit in the first tax year in which it
12 is taken shall be twenty percent of the entire amount of the
13 qualifying health insurance premium expenditure made by such
14 corporation in such tax year. The amount of such credit in the
15 second tax year in which it is taken shall be 10 percent of the
16 amount of such qualifying health insurance premium expenditure
17 of such corporation, must equal at least fifty percent of the total
18 cost of the premiums for such health insurance plan, and such
19 health insurance plan shall be available at least to all of its full
20 time employees. For purposes of this section, "unrelated" shall
21 mean not having the familial relationship of spouse, mother,
22 father or child.

23 The Act shall take place immediately upon passage.

