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SENATE No. 1289

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1289) of Bruce E. Tarr, Scott P. Brown, Susan W. Pope and Brian M. Cresta for legislation to allow for contracting with private entities for the labor of prisoners. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and One.

AN ACT ALLOWING FOR CONTRACTING WITH PRIVATE ENTITIES FOR THE
LABOR OF PRISONERS.

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 51 of Chapter 127 of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 1994 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the last
3 sentence and replacing it with the following sentences: — The pris-
4 oners in said institutions shall be employed in said industries under
5 regulations which shall be established by the Commissioner. The
6 Commissioner may contract with private entities for the labor of
7 prisoners provided that the Commissioner determines that any such
8 contract will provide beneficial job training, rehabilitation and
9 increase opportunity for a prisoner's employment upon release.

