

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 Ninety-Three.

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
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting immediately after
3 section 78A the following new sections: —

4 Section 78B. The commission shall adopt regulations provid-
5 ing for the employment of handicapped persons by public agencies
6 and by providers and contractors under contract with public
7 agencies. Said regulations shall establish and provide for the
8 enforcement of a preference for the employment of such handi-
9 capped persons, shall provide for a system of notification of job
10 vacancies that shall ensure that handicapped persons and facilities
11 and programs serving mentally ill, mentally retarded and other
12 handicapped persons are given timely information regarding job
13 vacancies, and, subject to appropriation, shall provide for appro-
14 priate training, support and informational services designed to
15 increase the employment of such handicapped persons.

16 Section 78C. The commission shall adopt regulations provid-
17 ing for the employment of handicapped persons by private
18 agencies. Said regulations shall establish, subject to appropria-
19 tion, for the implementation of a system of incentives whereby
20 private agencies shall be encouraged to give preference to the
21 employment of handicapped persons.

