

By Mr. Cahill of Beverly, petition of Michael P. Cahill and other members of the General Court relative to allowing education and training to count towards a portion of the work requirement mandated by transitional aid to families with dependent children. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and One.

AN ACT TO ALLOW EDUCATION AND TRAINING TO SUBSTITUTE FOR FIFTY PERCENT OF THE TAFDC WORK REQUIREMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Subsection (j) of section one hundred and ten of Chapter Five
2 of the Acts of 1995 is hereby amended by striking out the third
3 and fourth sentences and inserting in place thereof the following
4 sentence:—

5 Said work requirement hours may be met by hours spent in any
6 of the following activities:— working in a job for which compen-
7 sation is paid; working full-time in the full employment program
8 established in section (1); participating in community service;
9 provided, further, that recipients may meet 50 percent of the
10 required work hours by participating in a recognized job training
11 or education program approved by the Department; provided, fur-
12 ther, if said recipient fails to complete said job training or educa-
13 tion program, then that recipient will be ineligible to receive any
14 future reduction in their work requirement.

