

HOUSE No. 4778

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 22, 2006.

The committee on Labor and Workforce Development, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1115) of Robert A. O'Leary, Richard T. Moore, Patricia D. Jehlen and Steven A. Tolman for legislation to promote fairness for workers requalifying for unemployment insurance, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3119) of Shirley Owens-Hicks and others for legislation relative to unemployment insurance for certain employees, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4778) ought to pass.

For the committee,

MICHAEL J. RODRIGUES.

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In the Year Two Thousand and Six.

AN ACT PROMOTING FAIRNESS FOR WORKERS REQUALIFYING FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

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

- 1 Paragraph (e) of section 25 of chapter 151A of the General Laws,
- 2 as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
- 3 striking the first clause in lines 111 to 114 appearing before (1), and
- 4 replacing it with the following:—
- 5 For the period of unemployment next ensuing and until the
- 6 individual has had at least eight weeks of work and earned an
- 7 amount equivalent to or in excess of eight times the individuals
- 8 weekly benefit amount after the individual has left work