

HOUSE No. 6103

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 27, 1980.

The committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4708) of Robert B. Williams and another that provision be made for timely payments for independent living programs, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 6103) ought to pass.

For the committee,

DAVID J. MOFENSON

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT TO INSURE THE PROVISION OF PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT SERVICES TO 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 Section 20 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, as most recently
2 amended by section 29 of chapter 283 of the acts of 1976, is hereby
3 further amended by adding at the end thereof the following: —
4 The department of public welfare is hereby authorized and
5 directed to contract with independent living centers as defined in 29
6 U.S.C. 7960, on a pre-payment basis, for the provision of and
7 payment for personal care attendant services. The department
8 shall conduct an audit of each independent living center at close of
9 the fiscal year, to ensure that all funds have been expended pursu-
10 ant to this section or have been returned to the commonwealth.