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SENATE No. 610

By Mr. Backman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 610) of Jack H. Backman for legislation to remove barriers to employment training for welfare recipients. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-two.

AN ACT TO REMOVE BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT TRAINING FOR
WELFARE RECIPIENTS.

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 one hundred eighteen of the General Laws is here-
2 by amended by adding after section 11 the following new sec-
3 tion: —

4 *Section 12.* Registrants under the Work Incentive Program
5 (WIN) who desire to participate in a training or educational
6 program designed to provide them with skills and/or educa-
7 tion to improve their employment opportunities shall, consis-
8 tent with applicable federal law and regulations, be placed in
9 a WIN status which allows them to attend such training for
10 the duration of the training program. When necessary to
11 allow the registrant to complete the training program, a
12 waiver of any federal time limitation on training shall be re-
13 quested from the appropriate federal authority. Federal WIN
14 benefits shall be provided whenever possible. Non-WIN train-
15 ing related costs and services shall be provided for any period
16 for which WIN benefits are not provided, and shall continue
17 for such period as the registrant is attending the training pro-
18 gram and for thirty days thereafter or until such time as em-
19 ployment is obtained, whichever comes first.

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