

HOUSE No. 1687

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Theodore C. Speliotis

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act promoting public labor contracts for local residents.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Theodore C. Speliotis

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

13th Essex

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By Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1687) of Theodore C. Speliotis relative to promoting public labor contracts for local residents. Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2377 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act promoting public labor contracts for local residents.

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 1. Chapter 149, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended
2 by inserting, after section 44M, the following new section:-

3 Section 44N: In regards to projects estimated to cost in excess of five million dollars, as
4 contracted for at the commencement of such project, any general bidder, sub-bidder, general
5 contractor, or sub-contractor pursuant to sections forty-four E and forty-four F of the General
6 Laws, shall make a good faith effort to hire, or contract for the services of, qualified and
7 responsible persons of whom not less than fifteen percent of such persons reside within, or
8 whose place of business or any affiliated business retains a physical nexus within, a radius of not
9 less than twenty miles from the physical location in which the project applied for commenced, as
10 assessed by the project’s schematic design at the time of such commencement.

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SECTION 2: This act shall take effect upon passage.