

HOUSE No. 2671

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David Biele and Daniel J. Hunt

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 relative to the employment of persons with disabilities on state contracts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>David Biele</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael J. Moran</i>	<i>18th Suffolk</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Edward F. Coppinger</i>	<i>10th Suffolk</i>
<i>Paul J. Donato</i>	<i>35th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>
<i>Aaron Michlewitz</i>	<i>3rd Suffolk</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Theodore C. Speliotis</i>	<i>13th Essex</i>

<i>Joseph F. Wagner</i>	<i>8th Hampden</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Christopher Hendricks</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Rady Mom</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Richard M. Haggerty</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>David M. Nangle</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Russell E. Holmes</i>	<i>6th Suffolk</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>William J. Driscoll, Jr.</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>John J. Mahoney</i>	<i>13th Worcester</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel R. Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>

<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Gerard J. Cassidy</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>	<i>8th Bristol</i>
<i>Jon Santiago</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>
<i>Jerald A. Parisella</i>	<i>6th Essex</i>
<i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>

HOUSE No. 2671

By Messrs. Biele of Boston and Hunt of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2671) of David Biele and others relative to the employment of persons with disabilities on state contracts. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to the employment of persons with disabilities on state contracts.

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 7 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by placing after Section
2 38P the following: -

3 SECTION 38Q. (a) Any contract issued for services in the Commonwealth of
4 Massachusetts or any political subdivision there-in that receives appropriated funds from the
5 legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall employ up to 10% of individuals hired
6 within that contract be individuals with disabilities. Notwithstanding any general or special law
7 to the contract, the Supplier Diversity Office in consultation with the Massachusetts Office on
8 Disability, the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind and the Massachusetts Rehabilitation
9 Commission shall implement and regulate said law.

10 (b) Such services shall include but not be limited to janitorial and custodial services,
11 landscaping services, mailroom services, food services, fleet management, manufacturing, trash
12 removal, document destruction, electronic scanning of documents, and facility management

13 services including but not limited to HVAC Services, Painting, Emergency Repair Series, and
14 Snow Removal.

15 (c) For the purpose of this act, an individual with a disability will be defined as; someone
16 (i) who has a severe physical or mental impairment which seriously limits one or more functional
17 capacities (such as mobility, communication, self-care, self-direction, interpersonal skills, work
18 tolerance, or work skills) in terms of an employment outcome; (ii) someone whose vocational
19 rehabilitation can be expected to require multiple vocational rehabilitation services over an
20 extended period of time; (iii) someone who has one or more physical or mental disabilities
21 resulting from amputation, arthritis, autism, blindness, burn injury, cancer, cerebral palsy, cystic
22 fibrosis, deafness, head injury, heart disease, hemiplegia, hemophilia, respiratory or pulmonary
23 dysfunction, mental retardation, mental illness, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, musculo-
24 skeletal disorders, neurological disorders (including stroke and epilepsy), paraplegia,
25 quadriplegia, and other spinal cord conditions, sickle cell anemia, specific learning disability,
26 end-stage renal disease, or another disability or combination of disabilities determined on the
27 basis of an assessment for determining eligibility and vocational rehabilitation to cause
28 comparable substantial functional limitation.

29 (d) The percentage requirements shall be met within one year of award of such contract,
30 and steps shall be taken to minimize the displacement of any workers already providing the
31 services covered by such contract.

32 (e) The percentage requirement laid out in this section shall be phased into effect as
33 follows:

34 January 1, 2021, at least 2%

- 35 January 1, 2022, at least 4%
- 36 January 1, 2023, at least 6%
- 37 January 1, 2024, at least 8%
- 38 January 1, 2025, at least 10%