

SENATE No. 1245

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act improving the earned income tax credit for working families..

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. Section 6 (h) of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter
2 173 of the Acts of 2008, is hereby amended by striking out, in the second sentence, the figure
3 “15” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— “20”.

4 SECTION 2. Section 6 (h) of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
5 further amended by striking out, in the third sentence, the figure “15” and inserting in place
6 thereof the following figure:— “20”.

7 SECTION 3. Section 6 (h) of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
8 further amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following paragraph:—

9 The commissioner of revenue shall institute an outreach program to inform taxpayers
10 about the earned income tax credit, the requirements for claiming the credit, and the option to
11 receive the benefit throughout the year in each paycheck. In order to institute said program, the
12 commissioner shall, to the extent that it is practicable, partner in outreach efforts with groups,

- 13 including but not limited to, utility companies, labor organizations, chambers of commerce,
- 14 municipalities, community based organizations and taxpayer advocates.