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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### PRESENTED BY:

### James J. O'Day

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 to increase the Commonwealth's compliance with federal law meeting requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester	1/20/2011
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	34th Middlesex	1/26/2011
James J. Dwyer	30th Middlesex	2/1/2011
James B. Eldridge		2/3/2011
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester	2/3/2011
Susan C. Fargo		2/3/2011
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex	2/4/2011
Thomas P. Kennedy		2/4/2011
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex	1/24/2011
Bruce J. Ayers	1st Norfolk	1/25/2011

# HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 982

By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 982) of James J. O'Day and others relative to job opportunities for people with disabilities. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1911 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to increase the Commonwealth's compliance with federal law meeting requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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 61 of chapter 7 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after subsection (q) the following paragraphs: -

3	The Executive Office of Administration and Finance shall develop standards to identify
4	and recruit with the intent to hire qualified applicants with disabilities; said standards shall apply
5	to all vendors providing direct services under multi-year contracts or grants funded by agencies
6	within the Executive Offices of the Commonwealth. Standards shall include a commitment to
7	hiring people with disabilities and training all employees involved in hiring decisions on the
8	requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

9 The Executive Office Administration and Finance shall report its findings, which shall 10 include the progress made toward achieving this employment goal by enumerating percentages 11 of people with disabilities employed by total head count and new hires at the beginning and end 12 of contract period, to the Clerk of the House of Representatives; the Clerk of the Senate; the Joint 13 Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities; and the Joint Committee on 14 Labor and Workforce Development no later than October 31, 2011, and thereafter, no later than 15 October 31 annually.