

HOUSE No. 1020

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 willingness to work requirements for unemployment benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2017</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>11/1/2017</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1020) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to work requirements for public assistance recipients. Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1722 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to willingness to work requirements for unemployment benefits.

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 24 of chapter 151A of the General Laws, as so appearing in the
2 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (b) the following new
3 subsection:-

4 (b1/2) Be willing to accept work when the offered position is considered reasonably
5 relative to the position previously held by the claimant, the type of work offered is such that the
6 claimant is capable of performing, and/or there is no medical reason restricting the claimant from
7 the offered position.