

HOUSE No. 1685

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul McMurtry and Steven S. Howitt

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 prohibiting discrimination in state contracts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Jay R. Kaufman</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Aaron Michlewitz</i>	<i>3rd Suffolk</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>

<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>
<i>Bradford R. Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Solomon Goldstein-Rose</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Daniel Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Bud Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>William M. Straus</i>	<i>10th Bristol</i>
<i>Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Joseph F. Wagner</i>	<i>8th Hampden</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>
<i>Natalie Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kate D. Campanale</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>

Claire D. Cronin
Carole A. Fiola

11th Plymouth
6th Bristol

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By Messrs. McMurtry of Dedham and Howitt of Seekonk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1685) of Paul McMurtry, Steven S. Howitt and others for legislation to prohibit discrimination in state contracts. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act prohibiting discrimination in 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 Amend Chapter 30b, by adding the following section:

2 Section 24: Prohibition of Discrimination in State Contracts

3 A) A person that submits a bid or proposal to, or otherwise proposes to enter into or
4 renew a contract with, a state agency with respect to any contract in the amount of ten thousand
5 dollars (\$10,000) or more shall certify, under penalty of perjury, at the time the bid or proposal is
6 submitted or the contract is renewed, all of the following:

7 (1) They are in full compliance with Massachusetts Anti-Discrimination Laws (MGL
8 c. 151b, MGL c. 151e, MGL c.149, s.105A-C, MGL c.272, s.92A, MGL c.272, s.98, St.2016,
9 c.177 (effective July 2018); and

10 (2) They do not currently, and will not during the duration of the contract, refuse, fail,
11 or cease to do business with any other person when that action is based upon such other person's
12 race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, gender identity or sexual orientation.

13 B) Any policy adopted by a person or actions taken thereunder that are reasonably
14 necessary to comply with federal or state sanctions or laws affecting sovereign nations or their
15 nationals shall not be construed as unlawful discrimination in violation of Massachusetts Anti-
16 Discrimination Laws.

17 C) Violation of this Section shall result in rescission of the contract.