SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nick Collins

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.

PETITION OF:

NAME: Nick Collins DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Suffolk

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 2456 OF 2023-2024.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court (2025-2026)

An Act relative to the employment of persons with disabilities.

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: - SECTION 38Q. (a) Any contract issued for services in the Commonwealth 3 of Massachusetts or any political subdivision there-in that receives appropriated funds from the 4 legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall employ up to 10% of individuals with 5 disabilities hired within such contract. Companies/bidders awarded such contracts must employ a 6 minimum of 75 full-time equivalents. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, 7 the Supplier Diversity Office in consultation with the Massachusetts Office on Disability, the 8 Massachusetts Commission for the Blind and the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission shall 9 implement and regulate said law. In addition, said agencies will arrange for Employment support 10 services for all individuals with disabilities hired through a vast array of non-Profit employment providers located throughout the Commonwealth. (b) Such services shall include but not be 11

- 12 limited to janitorial and custodial services, landscaping services, mailroom services, food
- 13 services, fleet management, manufacturing, trash removal, document destruction, call centers,
- 14 electronic scanning of documents, and facility management