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Senate Clerk, Office of the Clerk of the Senate
State House, Room 335
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House Clerk, Office of the Clerk of the House
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Dear Honorable Clerks Hurley and Carroll,

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2024, the Department of Economic Research operating within the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, is required to submit an annual report to:

- House Committee on Ways and Means
- Senator Committee on Ways and Means

I am submitting the "Barriers to Employment" for your review and distribution.

Please do not hesitate to reach out should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jessica Katon
Director of Legislative Affairs
Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development