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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia S. Creem

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act improving the earned income tax credit for working families.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Cynthia S. Creem	*First Middlesex and Norfolk*

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1317) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation to improve the earned income tax credit for working families. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
SENATE
, NO. *1420* OF 2011-2012.]

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An Act improving the earned income tax credit for working families.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6 (h) of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 239, the figure “15” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— “20”.

SECTION 2. Section 6 (h) of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 243, the figure “15” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:— “20”.

SECTION 3. Section 6 (h) of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following paragraph:—

The commissioner of revenue shall institute an outreach program to inform taxpayers about the earned income tax credit, the requirements for claiming the credit, and the option to receive the benefit throughout the year in each paycheck. In order to institute said program, the commissioner shall, to the extent that it is practicable, partner in outreach efforts with groups, including but not limited to, utility companies, labor organizations, chambers of commerce, municipalities, community based organizations and taxpayer advocates.