

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1697**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Jason M. Lewis*

*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 active service buy-back program for firefighters and police officers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Jason M. Lewis*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Fifth Middlesex*

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By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1697) of Jason M. Lewis for legislation relative to the active service buy-back program for firefighters and police officers. Public Service.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1744 OF 2021-2022.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to the active service buy-back program for firefighters and police officers.

*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. Clause (h) of subsection 1 of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws,  
2 as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after “system;”, in line  
3 156, the following words:- “, provided further that a veteran who has creditable service as a fire  
4 fighter or police officer may purchase creditable service for active services in the armed forces of  
5 the United States at the same rate as a fire fighter or police officer pursuant to this section;”