

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2265**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Ellen Story*

*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 compensation of judicial officers and cost of living adjustments.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Ellen Story*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*3rd Hampshire*

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By Ms. Story of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2265) of Ellen Story relative to the compensation of judicial officers and cost-of-living adjustments. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1594 OF 2009-2010.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act relative to the compensation of judicial officers and cost of living adjustments.

*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. Section 22 of Chapter 211 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, in hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following sentence: The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall receive a  
4 salary of \$186,579.00; and each Associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall receive a  
5 salary of \$180,097.00, all effective July 1, 2009; and such compensation shall be increased at the  
6 same rate of increase, if any, as the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for Urban  
7 Workers for the Northeast Region commencing the first day in July of the year Two Thousand  
8 and Ten, and every year thereafter, and the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices shall  
9 annually receive from the Commonwealth upon the certificate of the Chief Justice the amount of  
10 expenses incurred by each of the them in the discharge of their duties.

11 SECTION 2. Section 2 of Chapter 211A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
12 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place  
13 thereof the following sentence: The Chief Justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court shall  
14 receive a salary of \$173,156.00; and each Associate Justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court  
15 shall receive a salary of \$166,653.00, all effective July 1, 2009; and such compensation shall be  
16 increased at the same rate of increase, if any, as the percentage change in the Consumer Price  
17 Index for Urban Workers for the Northeast Region commencing the first day in July of the year  
18 Two Thousand and Ten, and every year thereafter; and the Chief Justice and the Associate  
19 Justices shall annually receive from the Commonwealth upon the certificate of the Chief Justice  
20 the amount of expenses incurred by each of the them in the discharge of their duties.

21 SECTION 3. Section 4 of Chapter 211B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
22 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first three paragraphs and inserting in  
23 place thereof the following three paragraphs:

24 The salaries of the Justices of the Trial Court shall be paid by the Commonwealth. Each  
25 Associate Justice shall receive a salary of \$160,000; The Chief Justice of the several  
26 Departments of the Trial Court shall receive a base salary of \$166,699.00; The Chief Justice for  
27 Administration and Management shall receive a salary of \$173,156.00, all effective July 1, 2009,  
28 and such compensation shall be increased at the same rate of increase, if any, as the  
29 percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Workers for the Northeast Region  
30 commencing the first day in July of the year Two Thousand and Ten, and every year thereafter.