HOUSE No. 1267

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 liability standards of public employers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Nick Collins	4th Suffolk	1/15/2013
Christopher G. Fallon	33rd Middlesex	
John J. Lawn, Jr.	10th Middlesex	
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex	

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By Mr. Collins of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1267) of Nick Collins and others relative to claims against the Commonwealth regarding gross negligence. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2815 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

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

Chapter 258 section 2 is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:-

Notwithstanding any special, general law or regulation to the contrary; in such cases where a public employee injured while in the performance of their duty, or the Executor of the estate of a public employee killed while in the performance of their duty can prove that gross negligence of their employer contributed to said injury or death, the employee, or the estate of the employee may pursue the employer in excess of one hundred thousand dollars.