

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3204****The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Jerald A. Parisella and Paul Brodeur****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 reducing barriers to employment for returning armed forces members.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jerald A. Parisella</i>	<i>6th Essex</i>	
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>1/29/2013</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2013</i>
<i>Marcos A. Devers</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/30/2013</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2013</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>1/31/2013</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/28/2013</i>
<i>John D. Keenan</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Richard T. Moore</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/29/2013</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>

<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>	<i>1/24/2013</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>	<i>8th Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>Cleon H. Turner</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/26/2013</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	

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By Messrs. Parisella of Beverly and Brodeur of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3204) of Jerald A. Parisella and others relative to employment for members of the armed forces returning from active duty. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4007 OF 2011-2012.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen  
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An Act reducing barriers to employment for returning armed forces members.

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

1 Global fee waiver of any fee under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Administration and  
2 Finance:

3 SECTION 1. Section 3B of chapter 7 of the General laws, as appearing in the 2010  
4 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “function”, in line 39, the  
5 following words:- ; provided, that the secretary of administration shall provide for a waiver of  
6 payment of any such amount constituting an entry fee for any board of registration and  
7 examination under the general laws or for other professional licensure for any veteran as defined  
8 by clause Forty-third of section 4 of chapter 7; provided, that such veteran make application for  
9 waiver within 1 year following completion of service in the war, emergency, or contingency or  
10 armed forces personnel who have been called to active duty for more than 120 days for the  
11 purpose of serving in a war, emergency, or contingency; provided, however, that such waiver  
12 shall not include any board listed in subsection (a) of section 9 of chapter 13; and.

13 Apprentice ID Card application and renewal fee:

14 SECTION 2. Section 11W of chapter 23 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
15 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “director”, in line 6, the  
16 following words:- ; provided, however, that such fee shall be waived for any veteran as defined

17 by clause Forty-third of section 4 of chapter 7; provided, that such veteran make application for  
18 waiver within 1 year following completion of service in the war, emergency, or contingency or  
19 armed forces personnel who have been called to active duty for more than 120 days for the  
20 purpose of serving in a war, emergency, or contingency.

21 SECTION 3. Said section 11W of said chapter 23, as so appearing, is hereby further  
22 amended by inserting after the word “sponsor”, in line 9, the following words:- ; provided,  
23 however, that such fee shall be waived for any veteran as defined by clause Forty-third of section  
24 4 of chapter 7; provided, that such veteran make application for waiver within 1 year following  
25 completion of service in the war, emergency, or contingency or armed forces personnel who  
26 have been called to active duty for more than 120 days for the purpose of serving in a war,  
27 emergency, or contingency.

28 Waiver for those fees not under the Executive’s discretion:

29 SECTION 4. Chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
30 section 65, the following section:-

31 Section 65A. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3B of chapter 7, each board that  
32 regulates persons licensed, certified, or registered pursuant to subsection (b) of section 9 of  
33 chapter 13 or any such implementing provision in this chapter applicable to such board of  
34 registration and examination shall exempt such licensed, certified, or registered individuals who  
35 are veteran as defined by clause Forty-third of section 4 of chapter 7; provided, that such veteran  
36 make application for waiver within 1 year following completion of service in the war,  
37 emergency, or contingency or armed forces personnel who have been called to active duty for  
38 more than 120 days for the purpose of serving in a war, emergency, or contingency from the  
39 payment of any professional or occupational license, certification, or registration fees, including  
40 renewal fees, and from any continuing education or professional competency requirements for a  
41 renewal cycle that falls within the period of service or within the 6 months following completion  
42 of service in the war, emergency, or contingency. Veterans or aArmed forces personnel who  
43 have been called to active duty for more than 120 days for the purpose of serving in a war,  
44 emergency, or contingency that are applying for a license, certification, or registration for the  
45 first time shall be exempt from the initial licensing fee provided that they make application  
46 within 1 year following completion of service in the war, emergency, or contingency.