SENATE No. 1725

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Stephen M. Brewer

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 veteran's benefits for surviving spouses..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Stephen M. Brewer	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and
	Middlesex
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden
Tackey Chan	2nd Norfolk
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Nicholas A. Boldyga	3rd Hampden
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester

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By Mr. Brewer, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1725) of Stephen M. Brewer, Anne M. Gobi, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., Tackey Chan and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to veteran's benefits for surviving spouses. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1815 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:

SECTION 1. Section 6B of said Chapter 115, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting at the end thereof the following paragraph:-

The surviving spouse, currently not married, who is in receipt of Dependency Indemnity Compensation from the Veterans Administration, and whose veteran-spouse served in active service of the armed forces of the United States, shall also be paid the sum of \$1,500 annually in two payments on August 1 and February 1. Such payments shall be due and payable from the date of receipt of said surviving spouses completed application.