

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1393**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Julian Cyr*

*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 parity for geographically isolated sheriff departments.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Julian Cyr</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>	
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>	<i>1/23/2019</i>

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By Mr. Cyr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1393) of Julian Cyr and Dylan A. Fernandes for legislation relative to parity for geographically isolated sheriff departments. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to parity for geographically isolated sheriff departments.

*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. Chapter 37 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section  
2 17, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

3 Section 17. The salaries of sheriffs shall be paid by their respective counties and shall,  
4 except as hereinafter provided, be in full compensation for all services rendered both as sheriff  
5 and as superintendent or keeper of the jail or house of correction. If a sheriff elects to act, or his  
6 deputy acts, as superintendent or keeper of the jail or house of correction and resides thereat, he  
7 shall be entitled to rent, heat and light, and such subsistence as he may desire out of the regular  
8 subsistence rations purchased for prisoners, together with such other maintenance as may be  
9 determined from time to time by the county personnel board.

10 The sheriffs of the counties of Barnstable, Bristol, Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk, Dukes,  
11 and Nantucket and of the former counties of Berkshire, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire,  
12 Middlesex and Worcester shall each receive a salary of \$151,709.