

HOUSE No. 2568

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to the appointment of firefighters and police officers..

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. The second paragraph of section 11 of Chapter 22C of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding, after the word “death” in
3 line 19, the following:-

4 or, if said uniformed member, while on active duty in the armed services of the United
5 States, was killed or suffered injuries which resulted in his death or sustained injuries which
6 prevent the member from resuming his duties

7 SECTION 2. Section 26 of chapter 31 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
8 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the 7th paragraph, the following
9 paragraph:-

10 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter or of any other law, a son or
11 daughter of a firefighter or a police officer who passes the required written and physical
12 examination for entrance to the fire service or police service or a son or daughter of a firefighter
13 who passes the required written and physical examination for appointment as a fire alarm

14 operator shall have his or her name placed in the first position on the eligible list or, where
15 applicable, in the first position on the reserve roster for appointment to such fire or police service
16 or fire alarm service if: such firefighter or police officer on active duty in the armed services of
17 the United States was killed or sustained injuries which resulted in his or her death or sustained
18 injuries which prevented him or her from resuming his or her duties as a firefighter or police
19 officer.