

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1065**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act relative to age restrictions for veterans applying to be police officers and firefighters..

*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. Section 58A of Chapter 31 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in its place  
3 thereof the following section:-

4           Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, in any city,  
5 town or district that accepts this section, no person shall be eligible to have his name certified for  
6 original appointment to the position of firefighter or police officer if such person has reached his  
7 thirty-second birthday on the date of the entrance examination.

8           Notwithstanding the first sentence, a veteran who has not exceeded the maximum age set  
9 forth in 10 U.S.C. 505(a) for original enlistment in the Armed Forces of the United States  
10 shall be exempt from the age restriction imposed by this section.