

# SENATE . . . . . No. 2365

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Ten  
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An Act to protect social workers from work related injuries.

*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 58 of Chapter 30 of the General laws is amended by striking the  
2 fourth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following new paragraph:-

3           “Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, an employee who, while in the  
4 performance of duty, receives bodily injuries resulting from acts of violence from patients,  
5 prisoners, or children in his or her caseload or parents of said children, and who, as a result of  
6 such injury, would be entitled to benefits under said chapter one hundred and fifty-two, shall be  
7 paid the difference between the weekly cash benefits to which he would be entitled under said  
8 chapter one hundred and fifty-two and his regular salary, without such absence being charged  
9 against available sick leave credits, even if such absence may be for less than eight calendar  
10 days' duration.”