

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1580**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Martin J. Walsh*

*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 pertaining to firefighter training..**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Martin J. Walsh</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>	<i>10/9/2012</i>

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By Mr. Walsh of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1580) of Martin J. Walsh relative to considering local needs in the training of fire fighters. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2300 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act pertaining to firefighter training..

*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 6 Section 165 as appearing in the Official Edition is amended by  
2 adding in line 22 the following; “Said standards shall reflect the individual needs of communities  
3 as far as target hazards and local needs dictate. If disputes concerning standards are not resolved  
4 NFPA standards shall apply. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, a local fire training  
5 academy shall be given the authority to certify firefighting personnel subject to meeting the  
6 aforementioned standards. Funding for local training programs shall be paid in accordance with  
7 Chapter 175 Section 195 of the General Laws”.