SENATE No. 1503

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael J. Rodrigues

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 authorizing voluntary contributions to the Massachusetts Fire Fighters Academy Trust Fund..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Michael J. Rodrigues	
Patricia A. Haddad	5th Bristol
Kathi-Anne Reinstein	16th Suffolk

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By Mr. Rodrigues, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1503) of Michael J. Rodrigues, Patricia A. Haddad and Kathi-Anne Reinstein for legislation to authorize voluntary income tax return contributions to the Massachusetts Fire Fighters Academy Trust Fund. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 3947 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act authorizing voluntary contributions to the Massachusetts Fire Fighters Academy Trust Fund..

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 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition,
- 2 is hereby amended by inserting, after section 6(H), the following section:-
- 3 Section 6H ?: Every individual who files a separate return and every husband and wife
- 4 filing a return jointly may voluntarily contribute all or part of any refund to which they are
- 5 entitled or may voluntarily add an amount onto any amount due, to be credited to the
- 6 Massachusetts Firefighters Academy Trust established pursuant to section 165A of chapter 6.
- A contribution made under this section may be with respect to any taxable year at the
- 8 time of filing a return of the tax established by this chapter for such taxable year; provided,
- 9 however, that the commissioner shall prescribe the manner in which such contribution shall be

made on the face of the return required by section 5 of chapter 62C, provided further that the commissioner shall assure that taxpayers filing any such forms are made clearly aware of their ability to make the contributions provided for by this section.

The commissioner shall annually report the total amount designated under this section to the state treasurer, who shall credit such amount to said Massachusetts Firefighters Academy Trust.