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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### PRESENTED BY:

### Thomas M. Stanley

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 relative to veterans' burial expenses.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	1/17/2013
Thomas J. Calter	12th Plymouth	1/31/2013
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex	2/1/2013
John J. Lawn, Jr.	10th Middlesex	1/29/2013

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By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3212) of Thomas M. Stanley and others relative to the payment of certain burial expenses for veterans. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. *3308* OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to veterans' burial expenses.

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 8 of chapter 115 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition,
- 2 is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following
- 3 sentence:- Amounts expended by the burial agent under the provisions of section 7 shall not
- 4 exceed \$4,000 for the funeral and burial of a person under this chapter; provided, that the cost of
- 5 funeral and burial does not exceed \$5,000 and there are insufficient resources in the estate of
- 6 such person pay for the cost of such funeral and burial.