SENATE No. 2344

Senate, July 31, 2014 -- Substituted by amendment (Senator Brewer) for the Senate Bill relative to providing the next of kin of a state police officer killed in the line of duty with a flag during the memorial service (Senate, No. 1202)

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

An Act relative to providing the next of kin of a state police officer killed in the line of duty with a flag during the memorial service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 89 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

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If an officer of the department of state police is killed, or dies from injuries received or dies as a natural and proximate result of undergoing a hazard peculiar to the officer's employment, while in the performance of the officer's duty, the officer's next of kin shall receive from the department a flag of the commonwealth during the memorial service. For purposes of this paragraph, next of kin shall mean a person who is a surviving spouse, partner, parent or close family member of the deceased.