

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2198**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*James Arciero*

*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 injured correctional officers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/16/2015</i>
<i>Paul V. Larkham</i>	<i>New England Police Benevolent Association, Inc. 7 Technology Drive-Suite 100 North Chelmsford, MA 01863</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>

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By Mr. Arciero of Westford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2198) of James Arciero and Paul V. Larkham relative to the compensation paid to injured correctional officers. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2209 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to injured correctional officers.

*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 18A of Chapter 126 of the Generals Laws is hereby amended by  
2 striking the language thereof, and adding the following:-

3           Section 18A. An employee in a jail or house of correction of a county who, while in the  
4 performance of duty, receives bodily injuries resulting from actions of patients or prisoners in  
5 custody, and who as result of such injury is entitled to benefits under chapter one hundred and  
6 fifty-two, shall be paid, in addition to the benefits of said chapter one hundred and fifty-two, the  
7 difference between the weekly cash benefits to which entitled under said chapter one hundred  
8 and fifty-two and his regular salary, without such absence being charged against available sick  
9 leave credits, even if such absence may be for less than eight calendar days duration.