

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2393**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.*

*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 providing for special death benefits to fallen public safety officers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>1/13/2015</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Paul J. Donato</i>	<i>35th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2015</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>1/29/2015</i>

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By Mr. Puppolo of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2393) of Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr. and others for legislation to provide special line-of-duty death benefits to public safety officers. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2263 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act providing for special death benefits to fallen public safety 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 100 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “death”, in line 22, the following  
3   words:- provided, however, that for the purpose of any payment on or after December 1, 2010  
4   the term amount of pension shall in no case be less than the full salary payable to a police officer  
5   in the next grade-step (in the case of a deceased police officer) or a firefighter in the next grade-  
6   step (in the case of a deceased firefighter) while employed by a department or uniformed force  
7   on the date of such employee's death. Provided further that for the purpose of any payment on or  
8   after December 1, 2010, the term amount of pension shall in no case be less than the earnings  
9   that would have been payable to a police superior officer were he or she in the next grade-step of  
10  a supervisory position (in the case of a police superior officer deceased on or after December 1,

11 2010 who had been appointed to and was serving in such a supervisory position) or payable to a  
12 fire officer were he or she in the next grade-step of a supervisory position (in the case of a fire  
13 officer deceased on or after December 1, 2010 who had been appointed to and was serving in  
14 such a supervisory position) employed by a department or uniformed force on the date of such  
15 employee's death.