# HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 3126

### 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 the cost of veteran higher education.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
James Arciero	2nd Middlesex	1/16/2015
John C. Velis	4th Hampden	1/16/2015
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	1/23/2015
Cory Atkins	14th Middlesex	1/23/2015
Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.	5th Worcester	2/4/2015
Linda Dean Campbell	15th Essex	1/29/2015
James M. Cantwell	4th Plymouth	2/2/2015
Gailanne M. Cariddi	1st Berkshire	1/25/2015
Nick Collins	4th Suffolk	1/29/2015
Claire D. Cronin	11th Plymouth	1/26/2015
David F. DeCoste	5th Plymouth	2/4/2015
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex	2/3/2015
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk	2/4/2015
Stephen L. DiNatale	3rd Worcester	1/22/2015
Diana DiZoglio	14th Essex	1/22/2015
Peter J. Durant	6th Worcester	1/21/2015
James J. Dwyer	30th Middlesex	1/26/2015
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex	1/23/2015

James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	1/27/2015
Ryan C. Fattman	Worcester and Norfolk	1/30/2015
John V. Fernandes	10th Worcester	1/29/2015
Michael J. Finn	6th Hampden	1/26/2015
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	1/23/2015
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex	1/22/2015
Thomas A. Golden, Jr.	16th Middlesex	1/22/2015
Carlos Gonzalez	10th Hampden	1/31/2015
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex	1/29/2015
Robert L. Hedlund	Plymouth and Norfolk	2/4/2015
Kevin G. Honan	17th Suffolk	1/29/2015
Randy Hunt	5th Barnstable	1/30/2015
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk	1/28/2015
Thomas P. Kennedy	Second Plymouth and Bristol	1/31/2015
Peter V. Kocot	1st Hampshire	1/23/2015
Jay D. Livingstone	8th Suffolk	1/30/2015
Brian R. Mannal	2nd Barnstable	1/29/2015
Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.	28th Middlesex	1/28/2015
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk	1/26/2015
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex	1/22/2015
Rady Mom	18th Middlesex	2/4/2015
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	1/23/2015
Frank A. Moran	17th Essex	1/29/2015
Mathew Muratore	1st Plymouth	1/22/2015
James M. Murphy	4th Norfolk	2/4/2015
David M. Nangle	17th Middlesex	1/29/2015
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden	1/22/2015
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex	1/28/2015
Dennis A. Rosa	4th Worcester	1/23/2015
Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex	1/22/2015
Angelo M. Scaccia	14th Suffolk	1/22/2015
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden	1/22/2015
Theodore C. Speliotis	13th Essex	2/3/2015
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden	1/26/2015
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex	1/30/2015
Walter F. Timilty	7th Norfolk	1/29/2015
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex	1/23/2015
Steven Ultrino	33rd Middlesex	1/30/2015
Aaron Vega	5th Hampden	1/22/2015

Timothy R. Whelan	1st Barnstable	1/21/2015
Jonathan D. Zlotnik	2nd Worcester	1/21/2015
Barbara A. L'Italien	Second Essex and Middlesex	1/29/2015

## **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 3126**

By Mr. Arciero of Westford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3126) of James Arciero and others for legislation to provide a waiver of fees to veterans at public institutions of higher learning. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

### The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act relative to the cost of veteran higher education.

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

- 2 Section 19 of chapter 15A of the General Laws as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition
- 3 is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof, the following words:
- 4 Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law, rule or regulation to the
- 5 contrary, the commonwealth shall provide a full waiver of fees to all veterans, armed forces
- 6 personnel and members of the National Guard at all public institutions of higher learning located
- 7 in the commonwealth. The recipient of the fee waiver shall be a Massachusetts resident, and
- 8 provided further that for veterans, there shall be no post-service time limitation on the use of said
- 9 benefit. The waiver recipient may attend full-time or part-time and the benefit may be used for
- study at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels. This law shall take effect January 1, 2016.