

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3154**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Harold P. Naughton, 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 relative to veteran owned small business procurements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>1/9/2015</i>

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By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3154) of Harold P. Naughton, Jr., that the State Purchasing Agent be directed to give preference to veteran-owned small businesses when making certain purchases. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3196 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 veteran owned small business procurements.

*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 25 of Chapter 7 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting the  
2 following section:

3           Section 25B

4           The state purchasing agent shall give preference, as far as may be practicable and to the  
5 extent permitted by the General Laws, federal law, and federal treaty, to products or services  
6 manufactured or produced in the United States. Provided, however, that in giving such  
7 preference no sacrifice or loss in price or quality shall be permitted; and provided further, that  
8 preference in all cases shall be given to surplus products or articles produced and manufactured

9 by other departments, institutions, or agencies of the commonwealth which are available for  
10 distribution.