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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Sal N. DiDomenico

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 age restrictions for veterans applying to be police officers and firefighters.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Sal N. DiDomenico	*Middlesex and Suffolk*
Benjamin Swan	*11th Hampden*
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	*26th Middlesex*

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By Mr. DiDomenico, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1340) of Sal N. DiDomenico, Benjamin Swan and Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. for legislation relative to age restrictions for veterans applying to be police officers and firefighters. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *1214* OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to age restrictions for veterans applying to be police officers and firefighters.

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

Section 58A of Chapter 31 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in its place thereof the following section:-

Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, in any city, town or district that accepts this section, no person shall be eligible to have his name certified for original appointment to the position of firefighter or police officer if such person has reached his thirty-second birthday on the date of the entrance examination.

8 Notwithstanding the first sentence, a veteran who has not exceeded the maximum age set
9 forth in 10 U.S.C. 505(a) for original enlistment in the Armed Forces of the United States shall
10 be exempt from the age restriction imposed by this section.