# **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 1353**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

### James B. Eldridge

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 death benefits to surviving spouses of call and volunteer firefighters.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex	
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex	
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	
Carmine L. Gentile	13th Middlesex	
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden	
Viriato M. deMacedo	Plymouth and Barnstable	
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex	
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk	
David K. Muradian, Jr.	9th Worcester	
Anthony W. Petruccelli	First Suffolk and Middlesex	3/23/2015

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By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1353) of James B. Eldridge, Jason M. Lewis, James R. Miceli, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to death benefits to surviving spouses of call and volunteer firefighters. Public Service.

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

An Act relative to death benefits to surviving spouses of call and volunteer 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 1. Section 9C ½ of chapter 32B of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 adding in the fifth line after the phrase "under the age of 26," the words "and such children who
- 3 are over age nineteen and physically or mentally incapacitated from earnings".
- 4 SECTION 2. Section 9C ½ of said chapter 32B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
- 5 striking out in the sixth line the words "continue to".
- 6 SECTION 3. Section 9C ½ of said chapter 32B, as so appearing, is hereby further
- 7 amended by striking out in the twelfth line the words "100 per cent of the premium" and
- 8 inserting in place there of the following words:- a premium at the same rate as retirees of the
- 9 governmental unit from time to time as part of the total cost for such hospital, surgical, medical,
- dental and other health insurance.