## **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 977**

#### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anne M. Gobi

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 the protection of emergency responders from dismissal.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Anne M. Gobi	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and
	Middlesex
Gailanne M. Cariddi	1st Berkshire
Sal N. DiDomenico	Middlesex and Suffolk
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester
Jennifer L. Flanagan	Worcester and Middlesex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex
Michelle M. DuBois	10th Plymouth
Kevin J. Kuros	8th Worcester

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By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 977) of Anne M. Gobi, Gailanne M. Cariddi, Sal N. DiDomenico, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation to prohibit disciplinary actions by employers on employees serving as volunteer emergency responders. Labor and Workforce Development.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1726 OF 2013-2014.]

#### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for the protection of emergency responders from dismissal.

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 177B of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "ambulance department" each
- 3 time it appears, the following words:- or emergency responders.
- 4 SECTION 2. The first paragraph of said section 177B of said chapter 149, as so
- 5 appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "his" the following words:- work at an
- 6 emergency shelter.
- 7 SECTION 3. Said section 177B of said chapter 149, as so appearing, is hereby further
- 8 amended by inserting after the word "emergency medical technician", the following words:-or
- 9 emergency responder.