

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1397**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul R. Heroux***

*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 expenses incurred in defense against denials of Chapter 41 111F benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>1/19/2017</i>

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By Mr. Heroux of Attleboro, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1397) of Paul R. Heroux relative to expenses incurred in defense against denial of benefits by incapacitated employees. Public Service.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2328 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to expenses incurred in defense against denials of Chapter 41 111F benefits.

*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 111F of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official  
2 Edition, is amended by adding a new paragraph after line 51 as follows:-

3           An employee of labor organization who has incurred expense in successfully challenging  
4 the denial by a city or town of benefits provided by this section; and who has engaged an  
5 attorney for such challenge shall be reimbursed for such reasonable expense.