

SENATE No. 1403

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth J. Donnelly

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 line of duty death benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Kenneth J. Donnelly</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Eric P. Lesser</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>	
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>James T. Welch</i>	<i>Hampden</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>

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By Mr. Donnelly, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1403) of Kenneth J. Donnelly, Eric P. Lesser, Shawn Dooley, Patrick M. O'Connor and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to line of duty death benefits. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to line of duty death 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 1. Section 100A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “death”, in line 12, the following
3 words:- ; provided that, the words “killed in the line of duty” shall include any public safety
4 employee, as defined in this subsection, whose death is self-inflicted and a licensed mental health
5 professional, as defined in section 1 of chapter 123, establishes that the death was the direct
6 result of exposure to a traumatic event or set of events in the course of the employee’s active
7 duty service.