

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2016**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Eric P. Lesser*

*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 life insurance for members of the Massachusetts National Guard.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Eric P. Lesser</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>	
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>2/6/2017</i>

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By Mr. Lesser, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2016) of Eric P. Lesser, Brian M. Ashe, Harold P. Naughton, Jr. and Sal N. DiDomenico for legislation relative to life insurance for members of the Massachusetts National Guard. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to life insurance for members of the Massachusetts National Guard.

*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. Chapter 33 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out Section  
2   88B, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following  
3   section:-

4           Section 88B. The Commonwealth shall reimburse or pay a Massachusetts National  
5   Guardsman’s monthly premium in the Serviceman's Group Life Insurance Program administered  
6   by the Veterans Administration or an equivalent group life insurance program of the  
7   serviceman’s choosing, provided that the reimbursement or premium payment shall not exceed  
8   50 per cent of the monthly premium cost of Serviceman's Group Life Insurance. The  
9   Massachusetts National Guard State Sponsored Life Insurance Program is recognized as an  
10   equivalent group life insurance program. The servicemember may chose instead of receiving the  
11   Serviceman's Group Life Insurance reimbursement, that the amount of the reimbursement may  
12   be applied toward payment of a State Sponsored Life Insurance premium.