

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard M. Haggerty

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 and survivor benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Richard M. Haggerty	30th Middlesex	1/16/2019
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	2/1/2019
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex	1/31/2019
Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.	5th Worcester	1/31/2019
David Biele	4th Suffolk	2/1/2019
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire	1/30/2019
Shawn Dooley	9th Norfolk	1/24/2019
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex	1/25/2019
Christopher Hendricks	11th Bristol	2/1/2019
Patrick Joseph Kearney	4th Plymouth	2/1/2019
Kathleen R. LaNatra	12th Plymouth	1/31/2019
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester	1/28/2019
Mathew J. Muratore	1st Plymouth	1/30/2019
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	1/28/2019
Timothy R. Whelan	1st Barnstable	1/24/2019

HOUSE No. 2276

By Mr. Haggerty of Woburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2276) of Richard M. Haggerty and others relative to line-of-duty death and survivor benefits for police officers and firefighters. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. *1373* OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act relative to line-of-duty death and survivor 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 Generals Laws, as appearing in the 2010	
2	Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the figures "\$150,000" in line 8, inserting in	
3	place thereof the figure "\$250,000"; and in said section by striking the figures "\$150,000" in line	
4	21, inserting in place thereof the figure "\$250,000"; and in said section by striking the figures	
5	"\$150,000" in line 31, inserting in place thereof the figure "\$250,000"; and in said section by	
6	striking the figures "\$150,000" in line 32, inserting in place thereof the figure "\$250,000"	
7	SECTION 2. Section 100 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010	
8	Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "death", in line 22, the following	
9	words:- provided, however, that for the purpose of any payment on or after December 1, 2010	
10	the term amount of pension shall in no case be less than the full salary payable to a police officer	

11 in the next grade-step (in the case of a deceased police officer) or a firefighter in the next gradestep (in the case of a deceased firefighter) while employed by a department or uniformed force 12 13 on the date of such employee's death. Provided further that for the purpose of any payment on or 14 after December 1, 2010, the term amount of pension shall in no case be less than the earnings 15 that would have been payable to a police superior officer were he or she in the next grade-step of 16 a supervisory position (in the case of a police superior officer deceased on or after December 1, 17 2010 who had been appointed to and was serving in such a supervisory position) or payable to a 18 fire officer were he or she in the next grade-step of a supervisory position (in the case of a fire 19 officer deceased on or after December 1, 2010 who had been appointed to and was serving in 20 such a supervisory position) employed by a department or uniformed force on the date of such 21 employee's death.

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SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.