

HOUSE No. 3210

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Stephan Hay

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 burial expenses for veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>1/16/2019</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Jonathan D. Zlotnik</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Julian Cyr</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mr. Hay of Fitchburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3210) of Stephan Hay and others relative to burial expenses for veterans. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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

An Act relative to burial expenses for veterans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended by inserting after section 84C the following section:-

3 Section 84D. Every licensed funeral director, or his or her agent or servant, before an
4 agreement as to the price of the merchandise and service is made, shall make available to all
5 potential clients information regarding funeral and burial benefits for veterans as set forth in
6 section 7 and 8 of chapter 115 and shall give or cause to be given to a client, a written statement
7 verifying that the funeral director, or his or her agent or servant, make such information available
8 to the potential client. The written statement shall be signed by the funeral director, or his or her
9 agent or servant, and the potential client before an agreement as to the price of the merchandise
10 and service is made.

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12 Any funeral director who fails to comply with this section shall be punished by a fine of
13 not more than \$1,000.