

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3215**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Kate Hogan***

*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 establishing veterans' service officers as mandated reporters.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter Capano</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>

*Hannah Kane*

*11th Worcester*

*Tami L. Gouveia*

*14th Middlesex*

*José F. Tosado*

*9th Hampden*

*James K. Hawkins*

*2nd Bristol*

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By Ms. Hogan of Stow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3215) of Kate Hogan and others for legislation to include veterans' service officers as mandated reporters of abuse to elderly persons and persons with disabilities. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act establishing veterans’ service officers as mandated reporters.

*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 15 of chapter 19A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 6 by inserting after the words “outreach worker  
3 employed by a council on aging,” the following:- “veterans’ service officers,”

4           SECTION 2. Section 1 of Chapter 19C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
5 amended in line 28 by inserting after the words “foster parent,” the following:- “veterans’ service  
6 officers,”