

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 3241

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Todd M. Smola***

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*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 veteran's benefits for surviving spouses.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>1/16/2019</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/22/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>

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By Mr. Smola of Warren, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3241) of Todd M. Smola, Timothy R. Whelan and Mathew J. Muratore relative to veterans' benefits for surviving spouses. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1940 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)  
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An Act relative to veteran's benefits for surviving spouses.

*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 6B of said Chapter 115, as so appearing, is hereby further amended  
2   by inserting at the end thereof the following paragraph:-

3           The surviving spouse, currently not married, who is in receipt of Dependency Indemnity  
4   Compensation from the Veterans Administration, and whose veteran-spouse served in active  
5   service of the armed forces of the United States, shall also be paid the sum of \$1,500 annually in  
6   two payments on August 1 and February 1. Such payments shall be due and payable from the  
7   date of receipt of said surviving spouses completed application.