# **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 2379**

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John C. Velis

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 the health of correctional employees.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
John C. Velis	4th Hampden	1/17/2019
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	Second Hampden and Hampshire	1/30/2019
José F. Tosado	9th Hampden	1/25/2019
Bud L. Williams	11th Hampden	1/30/2019

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By Mr. Velis of Westfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2379) of John C. Velis and others relative to line of duty presumptions in certain health evaluations of correctional employees. Public Service.

### The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

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

An Act relative to the health of correctional employees.

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

Chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 94C. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary

affecting the non-contributory or contributory system, any condition of impairment of health

caused by Post Traumatic Stress Disorder resulting in total or partial disability or death to an

employee of a correctional facility, shall, if he successfully passed a physical examination on

entry into such service, or subsequently successfully passed a physical examination, which

examination failed to reveal any evidence of such condition, be presumed to have been suffered

8 in the line of duty, unless the contrary be shown by competent evidence.