

HOUSE No. 2544

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 court officers injured in service of the state.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Richard M. Haggerty</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2023</i>

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By Representative Haggerty of Woburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2544) of Richard M. Haggerty relative to court officers injured in service of the Commonwealth. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4305 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to court officers injured in service of the state.

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. The fourth paragraph of section 58 of chapter 30 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- All
3 amounts payable under this section to a court officer shall be paid at the same times and in the
4 same manner as, and for all purposes shall be deemed to be, the regular compensation of such
5 court officer.

6 SECTION 2. Said section 58 of said chapter 30, as so appearing, is hereby further
7 amended by adding the following paragraph:-

8 Whoever intentionally or negligently injures a court officer for which the court officer is
9 granted a leave without a loss of pay and is paid compensation in accordance with this section

- 10 shall be liable in tort to the office paying such compensation for all costs incurred by that office
- 11 in replacing the injured court officer which are in excess of the amount of compensation so paid.