

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2648**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***David Allen Robertson***

*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 injured correctional officers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>

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By Representative Robertson of Tewksbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2648) of David Allen Robertson relative to injured correctional officers. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to injured correctional officers.

*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 1Section 18A of Chapter 126 of the Generals Laws is hereby amended by  
2 striking the language thereof, and adding the following:-

3           Section 18A.An employee in a jail or house of correction of a county who, while in the  
4 performance of duty, receives bodily injuries resulting from actions of patients or prisoners in  
5 custody, and who as result of such injury is entitled to benefits under chapter one hundred and  
6 fifty-two, shall be paid, in addition to the benefits of said chapter one hundred and fifty-two, the  
7 difference between the weekly cash benefits to which entitled under said chapter one hundred  
8 and fifty-two and his regular salary, without such absence being charged against available sick  
9 leave credits, even if such absence may be for less than eight calendar days duration.