

HOUSE No. 3521

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kate Lipper-Garabedian

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 COLA adjustments for veteran benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kate Lipper-Garabedian</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2023</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2023</i>
<i>Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>	<i>2/3/2023</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/22/2023</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/22/2023</i>
<i>Jessica Ann Giannino</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>	<i>9/20/2023</i>
<i>William F. MacGregor</i>	<i>10th Suffolk</i>	<i>10/10/2023</i>

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By Representative Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3521) of Kate Lipper-Garabedian and others relative to COLA adjustments for veteran benefits. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3677 OF 2021-2022.]

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

An Act relative to COLA adjustments for veteran benefits.

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. Chapter 59 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 5N the following section:-

3 Section 5½. All benefits pursuant to section 5 of this chapter shall be adjusted annually
4 according to the average cost of living adjustment in the commonwealth.