

HOUSE No. 2682

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: |
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| <i>David Allen Robertson</i> | <i>19th Middlesex</i> | <i>1/16/2025</i> |

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By Representative Robertson of Tewksbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2682) of David Allen Robertson relative to injured correctional officers. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2648 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

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 18A of Chapter 126 of the Generals Laws is hereby amended by striking the
2 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.