

HOUSE No. 2923

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David K. Muradian, Jr.

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 credible service for VISTA volunteers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>	<i>1/16/2025</i>

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By Representative Muradian of Grafton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2923) of David K. Muradian, Jr. relative to providing credible service for retirement purposes for VISTA volunteers. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2612 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act relative to credible service for VISTA volunteers.

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. Paragraph (r) of subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General
2 Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking, in line 351, the
3 words “to the Peace Corps” and inserting in place thereof the following:- “in an approved federal
4 service program”.

5 SECTION 2. Said paragraph (r) of subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the
6 General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 363, after the word
7 “service.” the following: - “For the purposes of this paragraph, “a volunteer in an approved
8 federal service program,” shall mean a volunteer or volunteer leader under part A of title VIII of
9 the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, a full-time volunteer enrolled in a program under part A,

- 10 B, or C of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, or a volunteer or volunteer
- 11 leader under the Peace Corps Act.”