HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Rodney M. Elliott

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:Rodney M. Elliott16th Middlesex1/17/2025

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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:

- SECTION 1Section 18A of Chapter 126 of the Generals Laws is hereby amended by 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.