

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia A. Duffy

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 to support veteran owned businesses.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Patricia A. Duffy</i> | <i>5th Hampden</i> | <i>1/9/2025</i> |

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

An Act to support veteran owned businesses.

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. Section 12 of chapter 156C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (d) the following subsection:-

3 (e) If one or more of the authorized persons is a United States Veteran, as defined in
4 clause Forty-third of section 7 of chapter 4 and upon presentation of evidence deemed
5 satisfactory by the secretary of state, the fee for filing of the certificate of organization required
6 by subsection (a) and the fee for the filing of the annual report required by subsection (c) shall be
7 waived.