

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2501**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*John C. Velis*

*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 clarifying the duties of the adjutant general.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*John C. Velis*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Hampden and Hampshire*

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By Mr. Velis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2501) of John C. Velis for legislation to clarify the duties of the adjutant general. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2362 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act clarifying the duties of the adjutant general.

*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 15(b) of Chapter 33 of the General Laws, as so appearing in the 2022 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following sentence:- The adjutant general shall have  
3 command of all of the militias of the Commonwealth.

4           Section 15(b) of Chapter 33 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking the  
5 following:- ; provided, however, that the adjutant general shall not personally exercise command  
6 of troops.