

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2461**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Sal N. DiDomenico***

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*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 age restrictions for veterans applying to be police officers and firefighters.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Sal N. DiDomenico*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Middlesex and Suffolk*

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By Mr. DiDomenico, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2461) of Sal N. DiDomenico for legislation relative to age restrictions for veterans applying to be police officers and firefighters. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2317 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 relative to age restrictions for veterans applying to be police officers and firefighters.

*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 58A of Chapter 31 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in its place thereof  
3 the following section:-

4           Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, in any city,  
5 town or district that accepts this section, no person shall be eligible to have their name certified  
6 for original appointment to the position of firefighter or police officer if such person has reached  
7 his thirty-second birthday on the date of the entrance examination.

8           Notwithstanding the first sentence, a veteran who has not exceeded the maximum age set  
9   forth in 10 U.S.C. 505(a) for original enlistment in the Armed Forces of the United States shall  
10 be exempt from the age restriction imposed by this section.