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HOUSE . . . . . No. 3173

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John P. Fresolo

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 labor relations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John P. Fresolo	*16th Worcester*
John Colbert	*Professional Fire Fighters of MA*
Raymond McGrath	*NAGE*

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By Mr. Fresolo of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3173) of John P. Fresolo, John Colbert and Raymond McGrath relative to minimum staffing discussions in collective bargaining negotiations of municipal police officers and fire fighters. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *2420* OF 2009-2010.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to labor relations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6 of Chapter 150E, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting in line 7, between the words "workload" and "but" the following new language: " and in the case of fire personnel, minimum manning of shift coverage".

SECTION 2. The fifth paragraph of clause (a) of subdivision 3 of Section 4A of Chapter 1078 of the Acts of 1973 is hereby amended by striking out in the fourth sentence the following words: " Notwithstanding any other provision of this act to the contrary, no municipal employer shall be required to negotiate over subjects of minimum manning of shift coverage, with an employee organization representing municipal police officers and firefighters" and inserting in place thereof the following new sentence.

10 “Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, no municipal

11 employer shall be required to negotiate over the subject of the total number of fire or police

12 personnel to be employed by the municipality ; however, the subject of minimum manning of

13 shift coverage shall be within the scope of arbitration with an employee organization

14 representing firefighters.”