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HOUSE . . . . . No. 971

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas M. Stanley

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 for veterans hunting and fishing licenses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Thomas M. Stanley	*9th Middlesex*
Richard Bastien	*2nd Worcester*
Stephen L. DiNatale	*3rd Worcester*
Paul W. Mark	*2nd Berkshire*
Elizabeth A. Poirier	*14th Bristol*
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	*12th Hampden*
James E. Timilty	

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By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 971) of Thomas M. Stanley and others for legislation to exempt veterans from the payment of hunting and fishing license fees. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *3402* OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act for veterans hunting and fishing licenses.

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

Section 11 of chapter 131 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the fifth paragraph the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no fee shall be charged for any license issued hereunder to a veteran, as defined in clause forty-three of section 7 of chapter 4 and whose last discharge or release from the armed forces of the United States was under honorable conditions and who is a resident of the commonwealth. The commonwealth shall bear the cost of such waivers, not the department.