

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 01592**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*James M. Cantwell*

*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act limiting severance agreements of authorities..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*James M. Cantwell*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*4th Plymouth*

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By Mr. James M. Cantwell of Marshfield, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 01592) of James M. Cantwell relative to severance agreements negotiated by authorities. Joint Committee on Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ HOUSE  
□ , NO. 2341 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act limiting severance agreements of authorities..

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

- 1 Chapter 29 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after section 31E the following section:—
- 3 Section 31F. Any severance agreement negotiated by an authority, as defined in section 39 of
- 4 chapter 3, shall be based upon the employee’s length of service with the authority. No cash
- 5 awards shall be made. Any consulting contract with the employee shall be based on fees for
- 6 services, with services clearly defined. Any payment of legal fees for such employee shall be
- 7 made only for actions of the employee made in good faith.