

HOUSE No. 1631

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ellen Story

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 relative to the compensation of judicial officers and cost of living adjustments.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Ellen Story

3rd Hampshire

Daniel B. Winslow

9th Norfolk

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By Ms. Story of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1631) of Ellen Story and Daniel B. Winslow relative to the compensation of judicial officers and cost-of-living adjustments. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE

□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 2265 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to the compensation of judicial officers and cost of living adjustments.

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 1. Section 22 of Chapter 211 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place
3 thereof the following sentence: The Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall receive a
4 salary of \$186,579.00; and each Associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court shall receive a
5 salary of \$180,097.00, all effective July 1, 2014; and such compensation shall be increased at the
6 same rate of increase, if any, as the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for Urban
7 Workers for the Northeast Region commencing the first day in July of the year 2015, and every
8 year thereafter, and the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices shall annually receive from the
9 Commonwealth upon the certificate of the Chief Justice the amount of expenses incurred by each
10 of the them in the discharge of their duties.

11 SECTION 2. Section 2 of Chapter 211A of the General Laws is hereby amended by
12 striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: The Chief
13 Justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court shall receive a salary of \$173,156.00; and each
14 Associate Justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court shall receive a salary of \$166,653.00, all
15 effective July 1, 2014; and such compensation shall be in increased at the same rate of increase,

16 if any, as the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Workers for the
17 Northeast Region commencing the first day in July of the year 2015, and every year thereafter;
18 and the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices shall annually receive from the Commonwealth
19 upon the certificate of the Chief Justice the amount of expenses incurred by each of the them in
20 the discharge of their duties.

21 SECTION 3. Section 4 of Chapter 211B of the General Laws is hereby amended by
22 striking out the first three paragraphs and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

23 The salaries of the Justices of the Trial Court shall be paid by the Commonwealth. Each
24 Associate Justice shall receive a salary of \$160,000; The Chief Justice of the several
25 Departments of the Trial Court shall receive a base salary of \$166,699.00; The Chief Justice for
26 Administration and Management shall receive a salary of \$173,156.00, all effective July 1, 2014,
27 and such compensation shall be increased at the same rate of increase, if any, as the
28 percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Workers for the Northeast Region
29 commencing the first day in July of the year 2015, and every year thereafter.