

HOUSE No. 1735

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 fairness in workers' compensation benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Matthew A. Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1735) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others that employees injured due to willful misconduct be prohibited from receiving any portion of compensation benefits. Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE

□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 2299 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to fairness in workers' compensation benefits.

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. Chapter 152 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by striking out section 27 in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the
3 following:

4 “Section 27. If the employee is injured by reason of his serious willful misconduct,
5 including intoxication or unlawful use of a controlled substance, as defined in section 1 of
6 chapter 94C, he shall not receive any portion of the compensation benefit; provided, that this
7 provision shall not bar compensation or benefits to his or her dependents if the injury results in
8 death.”.