HOUSE No. 2364

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jay D. Livingstone

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 fairness regarding line of duty benefits.

PETITION OF:

Name:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
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Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden

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By Mr. Livingstone of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2364) of Jay D. Livingstone and others for legislation to extend line-of-duty public safety death benefits to all public employees. Public Service.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act for fairness regarding line of duty benefits.

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

- Section 100A of Chapter 32 is hereby amended by striking subsection (c) in its entirety
- 2 and replacing it with the following:
- 3 (c) The killed in the line of duty benefit shall be a 1-time payment of \$150,000 to the
- 4 family of a deceased public employee. As used in this section deceased public employee shall
- 5 mean any public employee working for state or county government, a Massachusetts public
- 6 higher education institution, a municipality, public school department, or public school district or
- 7 public authority who, while in the performance of his/her duties and as a result of incident,
- 8 accident or violence, was killed or sustained injuries which were the direct and proximate cause
- 9 of his/her death.
- Section 100A of Chapter 32 is further amended in subsection (d) by replacing each
- 11 occurrence of the words "public safety employee" in this subsection with the words "public
- 12 employee"