HOUSE

. No. 2371

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James R. Miceli

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 relative to expanding credible service to certain veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
James Arciero	2nd Middlesex
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex

FILED ON: 1/16/2015

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By Mr. Miceli of Wilmington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2371) of James R. Miceli and others relative to expanding credible service to certain veterans. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to expanding credible service to certain veterans.

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

- SECTION 1. Subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws as appearing
- 2 in the 2012 Official Edition is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (r), the following
- 3 subsection:-
- 4 $(r \frac{1}{2})$ Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a member in service of
- 5 a retirement system as defined in section 1 who served in the Commissioned Corps of the United
- 6 States Public Health Service or the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and
- 7 Atmospheric Administration and who has completed 4 or more years of membership service,
- 8 and who retires on or after January 1st 1975 shall receive full credit for the period of such
- 9 commissioned corps service. Eligibility for the creditable service of members in service of a
- 10 retirement system shall be conditioned upon payment, in 1 sum or in installments upon such
- 11 terms as the applicable retirement board may provide, into the annuity savings fund of the
- 12 applicable retirement system, of an amount equal to the contributions such member in service
- 13 would have otherwise paid into the retirement system plus buyback interest thereon for the

- 14 period of commissioned corps service based upon the annual salary the member received in the
- 15 first year of membership service after his or her commissioned corps service.