HOUSE No. 02467

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 pensions for felons.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	4th Hampden
Marc Lombardo	22nd Middlesex
Steven L. Levy	4th Middlesex
Randy Hunt	5th Barnstable
Geoff Diehl	7th Plymouth
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol
Shaunna O'Connell	3rd Bristol
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
George Ross	2nd Bristol
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Kevin Kuros	8th Worcester
Sheila Harrington	1st Middlesex
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Bradford Hill	4th Essex
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol



1st Plymouth

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2467) of Frost and others relative to the collection of a pension for certain persons convicted of a felony Joint Committee on Public Service.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to pensions for felons.

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 5 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by
- 2 chapters 21 and 25 of the Acts of 2009, is hereby further amended by inserting at the end thereof
- 3 the following subdivision:
- 4 (5) Payments to a member retired under the provisions of this section who is incarcerated for
- 5 having been convicted of a felony committed on or after the effective date of this paragraph shall
- 6 cease for the period of such member's incarceration. Under no circumstances shall such
- 7 payments be recoverable by such member after such period of incarceration.
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 10 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by
- 9 chapters 21 and 25 of the Acts of 2009, is hereby further amended by inserting at the end thereof
- 10 the following subdivision:

- 11 (5) Payments to a member retired under the provisions of this section who is incarcerated for
- 12 having been convicted of a felony committed on or after the effective date of this paragraph shall
- 13 cease for the period of such member's incarceration. Under no circumstances shall such
- 14 payments be recoverable by such member after such period of incarceration.
- 15 SECTION 3. Section 26 of chapter 32 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2008 Official
- 16 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following subdivision:
- 17 (6) Payments to a member retired under the provisions of this section who is incarcerated for
- 18 having been convicted of a felony committed on or after the effective date of this paragraph shall
- 19 cease for the period of such member's incarceration. Under no circumstances shall such
- 20 payments be recoverable by such member after such period of incarceration.
- 21 SECTION 4. Section 28M of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
- 22 amended by inserting at the end thereof the following paragraph:
- 23 Payments to a member retired under the provisions of this section who is incarcerated for having
- 24 been convicted of a felony committed on or after the effective date of this paragraph shall cease
- 25 for the period of such member's incarceration. Under no circumstances shall such payments be
- 26 recoverable by such member after such period of incarceration.
- 27 SECTION 5. Section 28N of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
- 28 amended by inserting at the end thereof the following paragraph:
- 29 Payments to a member retired under the provisions of this section who is incarcerated for having
- 30 been convicted of a felony committed on or after the effective date of this paragraph shall cease

- 31 for the period of such member's incarceration. Under no circumstances shall such payments be
- 32 recoverable by such member after such period of incarceration.
- 33 SECTION 6. Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting
- 34 after section 65J the following section:
- 35 Section 65K. Payments to a member retired under the provisions of sections 65A to 65J,
- 36 inclusive, who is incarcerated for having been convicted of a felony committed on or after the
- 37 effective date of this paragraph shall cease for the period of such member's incarceration. Under
- 38 no circumstances shall such payments be recoverable by such member after such period of
- 39 incarceration.".