

HOUSE No. 2478

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Daniel J. Hunt

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 pertaining to public fire safety and professionalism.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/16/2021</i>

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By Mr. Hunt of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2478) of Daniel J. Hunt for legislation to require a minimum of ten years of experience for firefighters to become chiefs of fire departments. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2079 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act pertaining to public fire safety and professionalism.

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 48 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition is
2 hereby amended by adding the following new section; Section 42B. No person shall be eligible
3 to be appointed to the position of Fire Chief in any city, town or fire district within the
4 Commonwealth unless said candidate has been a uniformed member of the firefighting force of a
5 fire department for a minimum of ten years.