

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3057**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Jerald A. Parisella***

*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 increasing access to medical care for veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jerald A. Parisella</i>	<i>6th Essex</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>John V. Fernandes</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>

*Louis L. Kafka*

8th Norfolk

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By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3057) of Jerald A. Parisella and others for legislation to authorize certain veterans to use facilities of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and regional transit authorities without cost to such veterans. Transportation.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3116 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act increasing access to medical care for veterans.

*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 5 of Chapter 161A of the General Laws is hereby 2 amended by adding at the end  
2 thereof the following paragraph:— (s) The authority and any regional or local transportation  
3 authority in the Commonwealth shall permit any veteran, as certified by the United States  
4 Department of Defense, to use commuter rail, subway, bus, shuttle and boat services at no cost to  
5 said veteran; provided that said veteran is utilizing transportation to travel to or from a Veterans  
6 Administration hospital for medical care; and provided further, that said veteran presents proof  
7 of a medical appointment on the date of travel in the form of a notice from the Veterans  
8 Administration indicating the veteran’s name and the date and location of said appointment.