

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3154**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Harold P. Naughton, 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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to veteran owned small business procurements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Harold P. Naughton, Jr.*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*12th Worcester*

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By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3154) of Harold P. Naughton, Jr. that the State Purchasing Agent give preference to veteran owned small businesses when making certain purchases. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3196 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to veteran owned small business procurements.

*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 25 of Chapter 7 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting the  
2 following section:

3 Section 25B

4 The state purchasing agent shall give preference, as far as may be practicable and to the  
5 extent permitted by the General Laws, federal law, and federal treaty, to products or services  
6 manufactured or produced in the United States. Provided, however, that in giving such  
7 preference no sacrifice or loss in price or quality shall be permitted; and provided further, that  
8 preference in all cases shall be given to surplus products or articles produced and manufactured

9 by other departments, institutions, or agencies of the commonwealth which are available for  
10 distribution.