

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3162**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Elizabeth A. Poirier and Richard J. Ross*

*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 the observation of Veterans Day.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>

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By Representative Poirier of North Attleborough and Senator Ross, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3162) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others relative to allowing veterans a leave of absence on Veterans Day and Memorial Day. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to the observation of Veterans Day.

*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 52A ½ of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following paragraph:-

4           “An employee who is a veteran as defined in clause Forty-third of section 7 of chapter 4  
5 or is a member of a department of war veterans listed in section 17 of chapter 8 shall be allowed  
6 and granted a leave of absence on Veterans Day and Memorial Day, with pay.”