

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to a military scholarship program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Harold P. Naughton, Jr.	12th Worcester
Thomas J. Calter	12th Plymouth

By Mr. Naughton of Clinton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3201) of Harold P. Naughton, Jr. and Thomas J. Calter for legislation to establish a military scholarship program for children, siblings and spouses of certain veterans. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE O HOUSE , NO. 962 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to a military scholarship program.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 16 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
amended by inserting after the ninth paragraph the following paragraph:

3 There shall be a Military Service Scholarship Program pursuant to section 16 of chapter 15A of the General Laws to provide full scholarships to the children, siblings or widowed 4 spouses of Massachusetts servicemen and servicewomen, who are killed or die or are severely 5 disabled from injuries received while in the performance of duties including authorized training 6 7 duty; to children, siblings or widowed spouses of prisoners of war or military or service persons missing in action in any foreign land, including but not limited to, Iraq and Afghanistan, whose 8 wartime service is credited to the commonwealth and whose service was Between September 9 10 eleven two thousand one, and the termination of both the Iraq and Afghanistan campaign; to the 11 children, siblings and widowed spouses of veterans whose service was credited to the 12 commonwealth and who were killed in action or otherwise died as a result of such service. Such 13 scholarships shall be awarded by the council pursuant to its guidelines established to govern this 14 program and shall go to those persons referenced above who are admitted to an institution of 15 higher education in the commonwealth to pursue undergraduate studies. The guidelines shall

- 16 include, but not be limited to, a waiver of mandatory fees, tuition, books, room and board, or
- 17 other school mandated related expenses.