

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3926**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***David Allen Robertson***

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*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 disability benefits.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>

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By Representative Robertson of Tewksbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3926) of David Allen Robertson relative to veteran disability benefits. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to veteran disability benefits.

*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 6B of chapter 115 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 19, 28 and 35, the figure “\$2,000”,  
3 each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following figure:-  
4 \$5,000.

5 SECTION 2. Said section 6B of said chapter 115, as so appearing, is hereby further  
6 amended by inserting after the third paragraph the following paragraph:-

7 A veteran who suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder, symptoms of Persian Gulf  
8 illness, or injuries connected to tainted, poisoned or adulterated water at Camp Lejeune and such  
9 disorder, illness, or injuries have been certified by the Veterans’ Administration as service-  
10 connected and who is determined to be 80 per cent disabled by the Veterans’ Administration  
11 shall be paid the sum of \$5,000 annually in 2 equal payments on August 1 and February 1. Such  
12 payments shall be due and payable from the date of the application.