

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 00794**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

*Kathi-Anne Reinstein*

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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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act providing property tax relief for certain caregivers..

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Kathi-Anne Reinstein*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*16th Suffolk*

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By Ms. Kathi-Anne Reinstein of Revere, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00794) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein for legislation to provide for property tax relief for certain caregivers providing assistance for spouses or dependents. Joint Committee on Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ HOUSE  
□ , NO. 2882 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act providing property tax relief for certain caregivers..

*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 5 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:—  
3 Fifty-sixth. The sum of \$3,000 for caregivers providing medical assistance and care to spouses  
4 or dependents 65 years of age or older with long-term care needs, on property occupied by them  
5 as their domicile. For the purposes of this clause, a person with long term care needs shall be a  
6 person who has three or more limitations in activities of daily living, such as bathing, dressing,  
7 eating, toileting, transferring and continence management, or, a person with severe cognitive  
8 impairments that requires substantial supervision to be protected from threats to their health and  
9 safety due to this condition and has difficulty with one or more of the activities of daily living, or

- 10 a person who has been certified by a physician to be an individual with long term care needs, for
- 11 at least 180 consecutive days and a portion of which has occurred within the taxable year.