

HOUSE No. 951

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Linda Dean Campbell

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 requiring annual lung cancer screenings for firefighters.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>Linda Dean Campbell</i> | <i>15th Essex</i> |
| <i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i> | <i>2nd Barnstable</i> |
| <i>Michelle M. DuBois</i> | <i>10th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Stephan Hay</i> | <i>3rd Worcester</i> |
| <i>Brian W. Murray</i> | <i>10th Worcester</i> |
| <i>David Allen Robertson</i> | <i>19th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Bruce E. Tarr</i> | <i>First Essex and Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Bud L. Williams</i> | <i>11th Hampden</i> |

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By Mrs. Campbell of Methuen, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 951) of Linda Dean Campbell and others for legislation to authorize annual lung cancer screenings for firefighters. Financial Services.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3569 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act requiring annual lung cancer screenings for firefighters.

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

1 Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended by inserting after section 101A the following section:-

3 Section 101B. (a) Any permanent, full-time, call, volunteer, intermittent, part-time or
4 reserve firefighter may participate in any initial lung cancer screening or subsequent lung cancer
5 screening or evaluation as recommended by the American Cancer Society upon the referral of
6 such firefighter’s primary care physician. Such screenings shall be deemed to be medically
7 necessary for the purposes of coverage by any insurance plan, including but not limited to any
8 such firefighter insured under chapter 32A, 175, 176A, 176B or 176G or any other general or
9 special law.

10 (b) Lung cancer screening services performed under this section shall not be subject to
11 any co-payment, deductible, coinsurance or other cost-sharing requirement.