

SENATE No. 1353

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James B. Eldridge

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 death benefits to surviving spouses of call and volunteer firefighters.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Viriato M. deMacedo</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1353) of James B. Eldridge, Jason M. Lewis, James R. Miceli, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to death benefits to surviving spouses of call and volunteer firefighters. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to death benefits to surviving spouses of call and volunteer 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 SECTION 1. Section 9C ½ of chapter 32B of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 adding in the fifth line after the phrase "under the age of 26," the words "and such children who
3 are over age nineteen and physically or mentally incapacitated from earnings".

4 SECTION 2. Section 9C ½ of said chapter 32B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
5 striking out in the sixth line the words "continue to".

6 SECTION 3. Section 9C ½ of said chapter 32B, as so appearing, is hereby further
7 amended by striking out in the twelfth line the words "100 per cent of the premium" and
8 inserting in place there of the following words:- a premium at the same rate as retirees of the
9 governmental unit from time to time as part of the total cost for such hospital, surgical, medical,
10 dental and other health insurance.