

SENATE No. 1581

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael F. Rush

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 veterans creditable service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Michael F. Rush</i>	<i>Norfolk and Suffolk</i>	
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Michael J. Finn</i>	<i>6th Hampden</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Viriato M. deMacedo</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Paul F. Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

Michael J. Soter
John H. Rogers

8th Worcester
12th Norfolk

2/1/2019
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By Mr. Rush, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1581) of Michael F. Rush, Patrick M. O'Connor, Mathew J. Muratore, Michael J. Finn and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to veterans creditable service. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1465 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act relative to veterans creditable service.

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. Subsection (1)(h) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the
3 following:-

4 Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter or any other general or special law, rule
5 or regulation to the contrary, a member in service of a retirement system as defined in section
6 one who is a veteran shall be credited with all periods of service for which the veteran was
7 previously employed in any governmental unit. Such service shall be creditable service for any
8 period or periods of prior work in a governmental unit and shall be given full credit for
9 retirement purposes. Such creditable service shall not be limited if the retirement system in
10 which the veteran is currently a member in service differs from the governmental unit in which

11 he or she previously became a member. Such creditable service shall not be limited by years of
12 membership service.