SENATE No. 1593

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 to support police recruitment and retention.

PETITION OF:

NAME: DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Bruce E. Tarr First Essex and Middlesex

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1593) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to support police recruitment and retention. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to support police recruitment and retention.

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 6, Section 116 of the general laws is hereby amended by adding the following 2 new section:-
- 3 Section 116K. The municipal police training committee shall, not less than annually,
- 4 assess the workforce status of policing in the commonwealth, with regard to its adequacy,
- 5 diversity, and equity, and shall make recommendations for actions necessary for the recruitment
- 6 and retention of law enforcement officers to meet these goals. The results of said assessment,
- 7 together with such recommendations, shall be filed with the executive office of public safety and
- 8 homeland security, the joint committee on public safety and homeland security, the House and
- 9 Senate Committees on Ways and Means, and the clerks of the House and Senate, whom shall
- post them electronically for public inspection, not later than December 31.