# **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 01815**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### PRESENTED BY:

### Stephen M. Brewer

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 relative to veteran's benefits for surviving spouses..

### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Stephen M. Brewer	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester

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By Mr. Brewer, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1815) of Gobi and Brewer for legislation relative to veteran's benefits for surviving spouses [Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE , NO. 1992 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to veteran's benefits for surviving spouses..

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

SECTION 1. Section 6B of said Chapter 115, as so appearing, is hereby further amended
by inserting at the end thereof the following paragraph:-

The surviving spouse, currently not married, who is in receipt of Dependency Indemnity Compensation from the Veterans Administration, and whose veteran-spouse served in active service of the armed forces of the United States, shall also be paid the sum of \$1,500 annually in two payments on August 1 and February 1. Such payments shall be due and payable from the date of receipt of said surviving spouse?s completed application.