

SENATE No. 01824

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John Hart, Jr.

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 burial benefits of veterans.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>John Hart, Jr.</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>James T. Welch</i>	<i>Hampden</i>

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By Mr. Hart, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1824) of Moore, Welch, Rogers and other members of the General Court relative to burial benefits of veterans [Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 3385 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to burial benefits of veterans.

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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 8 of Chapter 115 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official edition, is hereby amended by striking out lines 1 through 14 and inserting in place
3 thereof the following:-
4 “Amounts expended by the burial agent under the provisions of section 7 shall not exceed \$5,000
5 for the funeral and burial of a person under this chapter, provided that the cost of funeral and
6 burial does not exceed \$6,000 and there are insufficient resources in the estate of such person to
7 pay for the cost of such funeral and burial.

8 Amounts expended by the burial agent under the provisions of section 7 shall not exceed \$3,000
9 for the cremation, funeral and burial of a person under this chapter, provided that the cost of the
10 cremation, funeral and burial does not exceed \$4,000 and there are insufficient resources in the
11 estate of such person to pay for the cost of such cremation, funeral and burial.”