

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2086**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael J. Rodrigues***

*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 authorizing the town of Westport to indemnify for the payment of certain medical expenses for a retired firefighter.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Michael J. Rodrigues*  
*Paul A. Schmid, III*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Bristol and Plymouth*  
*8th Bristol*

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By Mr. Rodrigues, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2086) of Michael J. Rodrigues and Paul A. Schmid, III (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Westport to indemnify for the payment of certain medical expenses for a retired firefighter. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act authorizing the town of Westport to indemnify for the payment of certain medical expenses for a retired firefighter.

*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. Notwithstanding section 100B of chapter 41 of the General Laws or any  
2 other general or special law to the contrary, the town of Westport may indemnify Steve Lopes  
3 for all co-payments for reasonable hospital, medical and surgical, chiropractic, nursing,  
4 pharmaceutical and prosthetic and related expenses and reasonable charges for podiatry incurred  
5 after his retirement as a firefighter; provided, that (1) the expenses for which indemnification is  
6 sought were the natural and proximate result of the disability for which Steve Lopes was retired;  
7 (2) the hospital, medical and surgical, chiropractic, nursing, pharmaceutical, prosthetic and  
8 related expenses and reasonable charges for podiatry to which such expenses relate were  
9 rendered within 6 months before the filing of each request for indemnification under this act; (3)  
10 such expenses were in no way attributable to the Steve Lopes being gainfully employed after

11 retirement or to any other willful act or conduct on his part; and (4) such expenses are reasonable  
12 under all the circumstances.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.