

SENATE No. 2604

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Barry R. Finegold

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 reservists with service-connected disabilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Barry R. Finegold

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Essex and Middlesex

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By Mr. Finegold, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2604) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Barry R. Finegold for legislation relative to reservists with service-connected disabilities. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to reservists with service-connected disabilities.

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 6A of chapter 115 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 As used in this section and in said sections 6B and 6C, the term “reservist” shall mean a
4 person who has served not less than 180 days in the Marine, Army, Air Force or Coast Guard
5 reserves and who is a resident of the commonwealth.

6 SECTION 2. Section 6B of said chapter 115, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
7 inserting after the second paragraph the following paragraph:-

8 A reservist who has suffered a service-connected disability shall be paid \$2,000 annually
9 in 2 equal payments on August 1 and February 1. The parents and surviving spouse, provided
10 that surviving spouse does not remarry, of a reservist who suffered a service-connected death
11 shall be paid \$2,000 annually in 2 equal payments on August 1 and February 1.

12 SECTION 3. Section 6C of said chapter 115, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
13 striking out, in lines 5 and 6, the words “six B” and inserting in place thereof the following
14 words:- 6B, or the reservist has suffered a service-connected disability under said section 6B.