

SENATE No. 938

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard J. Ross

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 crimes against police officers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/14/2017</i>

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By Mr. Ross, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 938) of Richard J. Ross, Ryan C. Fattman and Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to crimes against police officers. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to crimes against police officers.

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 39 of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words “or disability”
3 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- disability or employment as a police officer.

4 SECTION 2. Subsection (a) of said section 39 of chapter 265, as so appearing, is hereby
5 amended by inserting at the end thereof the following sentence:- For the purposes of this section,
6 the term “police officer” shall mean any officer of a county, municipal or campus police
7 department, the office of environmental law enforcement, the department of the state police, or
8 the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority police department.