

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2217**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*John J. Binienda*

*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 providing greater fairness with respect to veterans under civil service rules.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*John J. Binienda*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*17th Worcester*

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By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2217) of John J. Binienda for legislation to grant preference to certain veterans taking civil service examinations for promotional appointment as a police officer or fire fighter. Public Service.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act providing greater fairness with respect to veterans under civil service rules.

*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. Chapter 31, §59 of the MGL’s, as appearing in the 2010 official edition, is  
2 hereby amended by adding after line 54, the following:

3 Provided, however, that a member who is designated as a veteran with more than 25  
4 years of service on a regular police or fire force and has passed an examination for promotional  
5 appointment shall be given greater preference over a member who falls under one of these  
6 designations. And provided, further, that all points, preferences, or advantages under the civil  
7 service rules given to a member falling under one of these designations shall be combined for a  
8 member falling under both designations.