

HOUSE No. 3284

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Shaunna L. O'Connell

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 smoking cessation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>

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By Mrs. O'Connell of Taunton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3284) of Shaunna L. O'Connell, David F. DeCoste and Kevin J. Kuros relative to providing smoking cessation programs for certain police officers and fire fighters. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to smoking cessation.

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 101A of chapter 41 is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence and
2 inserting in place thereof the following 3 sentences:-- Any employee found to be in violation of
3 this section shall be offered an opportunity to enter a smoking cessation program prior to
4 termination. The personnel administrator shall promulgate regulations for the implementation of
5 this section. Nothing in this section shall preclude the personnel administrator from continuing
6 smoking cessation programs, not detailed in this section, that are currently in practice.