

HOUSE No. 04007

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul Brodeur and Jerald A. Parisella

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 reducing barriers to employment for returning armed forces members.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Jerald A. Parisella</i>	<i>6th Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>
<i>Richard Bastien</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>
<i>David B. Sullivan</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>Michael F. Kane</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Christopher M. Markey</i>	<i>9th Bristol</i>
<i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>	<i>8th Bristol</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>William M. Straus</i>	<i>10th Bristol</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>

<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Paul Adams</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel B. Winslow</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>John J. Mahoney</i>	<i>13th Worcester</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael J. Finn</i>	<i>6th Hampden</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Anthony W. Petruccelli</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>
<i>James E. Timilty</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>John D. Keenan</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>Dennis A. Rosa</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Susan C. Fargo</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel A. Wolf</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>
<i>Katherine M. Clark</i>	<i>Middlesex and Essex</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Matthew A. Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>

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By Messrs. Brodeur of Melrose and Parisella, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) (accompanied by bill, House, No. [BILL NUMBER]) of Paul Brodeur and others relative to employment for members of the armed forces returning from active duty. House Rules.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Twelve

An act reducing barriers to employment for returning armed forces members.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Global fee waiver of any fee under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Administration and
- 2 Finance:
- 3 SECTION 1. Section 3B of chapter 7 of the General laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official
- 4 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “function”, in line 39, the following
- 5 words:- ; provided, that the secretary of administration shall provide for a waiver of payment of
- 6 any such amount constituting an entry fee for any board of registration and examination under
- 7 the general laws or for other professional licensure for any veteran as defined by clause Forty-
- 8 third of section 4 of chapter 7; provided, that such veteran make application for waiver within 1
- 9 year following completion of service in the war, emergency, or contingency or armed forces
- 10 personnel who have been called to active duty for more than 120 days for the purpose of serving

11 in a war, emergency, or contingency; provided, however, that such waiver shall not include any
12 board listed in subsection (a) of section 9 of chapter 13; and.

13 Apprentice ID Card application and renewal fee:

14 SECTION 2. Section 11W of chapter 23 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official
15 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “director”, in line 6, the following words:-
16 ; provided, however, that such fee shall be waived for any veteran as defined by clause Forty-
17 third of section 4 of chapter 7; provided, that such veteran make application for waiver within 1
18 year following completion of service in the war, emergency, or contingency or armed forces
19 personnel who have been called to active duty for more than 120 days for the purpose of serving
20 in a war, emergency, or contingency.

21 SECTION 3. Said section 11W of said chapter 23, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by
22 inserting after the word “sponsor”, in line 9, the following words:- ; provided, however, that such
23 fee shall be waived for any veteran as defined by clause Forty-third of section 4 of chapter 7;
24 provided, that such veteran make application for waiver within 1 year following completion of
25 service in the war, emergency, or contingency or armed forces personnel who have been called
26 to active duty for more than 120 days for the purpose of serving in a war, emergency, or
27 contingency.

28 Waiver for those fees not under the Executive’s discretion:

29 SECTION 4. Chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 65,
30 the following section:-

31 Section 65A. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3B of chapter 7, each board that
32 regulates persons licensed, certified, or registered pursuant to subsection (b) of section 9 of
33 chapter 13 or any such implementing provision in this chapter applicable to such board of
34 registration and examination shall exempt such licensed, certified, or registered individuals who
35 are veteran as defined by clause Forty-third of section 4 of chapter 7; provided, that such veteran
36 make application for waiver within 1 year following completion of service in the war,
37 emergency, or contingency or armed forces personnel who have been called to active duty for
38 more than 120 days for the purpose of serving in a war, emergency, or contingency from the
39 payment of any professional or occupational license, certification, or registration fees, including
40 renewal fees, and from any continuing education or professional competency requirements for a
41 renewal cycle that falls within the period of service or within the 6 months following completion
42 of service in the war, emergency, or contingency. Veterans or aArmed forces personnel who
43 have been called to active duty for more than 120 days for the purpose of serving in a war,
44 emergency, or contingency that are applying for a license, certification, or registration for the
45 first time shall be exempt from the initial licensing fee provided that they make application
46 within 1 year following completion of service in the war, emergency, or contingency.