

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1596**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Dean A. Tran*

*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 line of duty death benefits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Dean A. Tran*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Worcester and Middlesex*

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1596**

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By Mr. Tran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1596) of Dean A. Tran for legislation relative to line of duty death benefits. Public Service.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1403 OF 2017-2018.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to line of duty death benefits.

*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 100A of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “death”, in line 12, the following  
3 words:- ; provided that, the words “killed in the line of duty” shall include any public safety  
4 employee, as defined in this subsection, whose death is self-inflicted and a licensed mental health  
5 professional, as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 123, establishes that the death was the direct  
6 result of exposure to a traumatic event or set of events in the course of the employee’s active  
7 duty service.