

**SENATE . . . . . No. 00571**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael R. Knapik***

*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 coverage of educational expenses to deceased veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Michael R. Knapik</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Gale D. Candaras</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Knapik, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 571) of Candaras, Stanley, Dykema and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide coverage of educational expenses to deceased veterans [Joint Committee on Higher Education].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ SENATE  
□ , NO. 607 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act providing coverage of educational expenses to deceased veterans.

*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. The third paragraph of section 19 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, as  
2 inserted by section 2A of chapter 130 of the acts of 2005, is hereby amended by adding the  
3 following 2 sentences:- The guidelines shall also provide tuition, fee waivers and reimbursement  
4 for room and board at any institution of public higher education in the commonwealth to a  
5 student whose parent or legal guardian was a resident of the commonwealth who served as a  
6 member of the armed forces of the United States and died in the line of service. The  
7 commonwealth, not the institutions of public higher education, shall bear the cost of these tuition  
8 and fee waivers and reimbursements.