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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**John A. Hart, Jr.**

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*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 Relative to the Department of Veterans’ Services.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| John A. Hart, Jr. | First Suffolk |
| Harold P. Naughton, Jr. | 12th Worcester |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S02133 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to the department of veterans’ services.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Chapter 115 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official edition is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph one, the following: -

“Provided further, the secretary shall be a veteran, as defined in clause Forty-third of section 7 of chapter 4 of the Massachusetts General Laws.”