

**HOUSE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Harold P. Naughton, Jr.**

*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 burial benefits of veterans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Harold P. Naughton, Jr.

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

12th Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3708 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 BURIAL BENEFITS OF 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. Section 8 of Chapter 115 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official edition, is hereby  
2 amended by striking out lines 1 through 14 and inserting in place thereof the following:-

3 “Amounts expended by the burial agent under the provisions of section 7 shall not exceed \$5,000 for the funeral and  
4 burial of a person under this chapter, provided that the cost of funeral and burial does not exceed \$6,000 and there  
5 are insufficient resources in the estate of such person to pay for the cost of such funeral and burial.

6 Amounts expended by the burial agent under the provisions of section 7 shall not exceed \$3,000 for the cremation,  
7 funeral and burial of a person under this chapter, provided that the cost of the cremation, funeral and burial does not  
8 exceed \$4,000 and there are insufficient resources in the estate of such person to pay for the cost of such cremation,  
9 funeral and burial.”

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