

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

**Joyce A. Spiliotis**  
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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:

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
_____ Joyce A. Spiliotis	_____ 12th Essex

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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## AN ACT RELATIVE TO DEFINE CERTAIN DISABILITIES

*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. Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition is  
2 amended by adding the following: — Section 94C. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or  
3 special law to the contrary affecting the non-contributory or contributory retirement system, any  
4 condition or impairment of health caused by any disease of the lungs or respiratory tract, resulting in  
5 total disability or death of a member of such system whose impairment was caused by negative  
6 environmental factors in the workplace and which occurred subsequent to employment in such  
7 workplace shall be presumed to have been suffered in the performance of the job unless the contrary be  
8 shown by competent evidence .  
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