

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Martin J. Walsh

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 labor relations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Martin J. Walsh	13th Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2801 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO LABOR RELATIONS.

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 6 of Chapter 150E, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by inserting in line 7, between the words “workload,” and “but” the following
3 new language: “and in the case of fire personnel, minimum manning of shift coverage,”

4 SECTION 2. The fifth paragraph of clause (a) of subdivision 3 of Section 4A of Chapter 1078 of
5 the Acts of 1973 is hereby amended by striking out, in the fourth sentence the following words:

6 “Notwithstanding any other provision of this act to the contrary, no municipal employer shall be
7 required to negotiate over subjects of minimum manning of shift coverage, with an employee
8 organization representing municipal police officers and fire fighters.” and inserting in place

9 thereof the following new sentence:

10 “Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, no municipal employer
11 shall be required to negotiate over the subject of the total number of fire or police personnel to be

12 employed by the municipality; however, the subject of minimum manning of shift coverage shall
13 be within the scope of arbitration with an employee organization representing firefighters.”

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