

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John A. Hart, 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 Veteran Discrimination .

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

John A. Hart, Jr.

First Suffolk

Harold P. Naughton, Jr.

12th Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S02131 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO VETERAN DISCRIMINATION.

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 4 of chapter 151B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection 1c the following section:
- 3 1D. For an employer, by himself or his agent, because an individual is a veteran to refuse to hire
4 or employ or to bar or to discharge from employment such individual or to discriminate against
5 such individual in compensation or in terms, conditions or privileges of employment, unless
6 based upon a bona fide occupational qualification.
- 7 For the purposes of this subsection, a veteran shall be an individual who served not less than 180
8 days of active service in any branch of the military.