

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

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 to provide employment protection for disabled veterans and veterans who are not members of civil service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Plymouth

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S02141 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND
VETERANS WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF CIVIL SERVICE.

*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 31 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 official edition, is
2 amended by inserting after section 26 the following new section: -

3 Section 26A. A veteran shall be retained in employment in preference to all other persons from
4 layoffs and bumping, regardless of whether said veteran is part of the civil system service
5 system. If there is more than one veteran, then the disabled veteran shall be retained in
6 employment in preference to all other veterans. If there is more than one disabled veteran, the
7 disabled veteran with the most years of service in his or her entirety shall be retained in
8 employment in preference to other all others. If there are no disabled veterans, then the veteran
9 with the most years of service in his or her entirety shall be retained in employment in preference
10 to all others.