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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***James Arciero***

*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:

An Act providing benefits for permanent functional loss and disfigurement under the Worker's Compensation Act.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| *James Arciero* | *2nd Middlesex* |
| *Brad MacDougall* | *Associated Industries of Massachusetts*<br>*P.O. Box 763*<br>*Boston, MA 02117-0763* |

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By Mr. Arciero of Westford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1694) of James Arciero and Brad MacDougall for legislation to provide benefits for permanent functional loss and disfigurement under the Worker's Compensation Act. Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *2868* OF 2011-2012.]

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An Act providing benefits for permanent functional loss and disfigurement under the Worker's Compensation Act.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 36(k) of chapter 152 of the general laws is hereby amended by striking out said paragraph (k) in its entirely and inserting in place thereof the following new paragraph.

(k) For bodily disfigurement resulting from (i) non-surgical disfigurement or burns resulting in disfigurement or (ii) surgical scarring; an amount which, according to the determination of the member or reviewing board, is a proper and equitable compensation, not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars; which sum shall be payable in addition to all other sums due under this section, provided, however, that no amount shall be payable under this section for (ii) unless such surgical scarring is on the face, neck or hands.