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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Benjamin B. Downing

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 relative to volunteer ambulance service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Benjamin B. Downing	*Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden*
Paul W. Mark	*2nd Berkshire*
William Smitty Pignatelli	*4th Berkshire*
Gailanne M. Cariddi	*1st Berkshire*

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By Mr. Downing, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1007) of Benjamin B. Downing, Paul W. Mark, William Smitty Pignatelli and Gailanne M. Cariddi for legislation relative to volunteer ambulance service. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
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, NO. *1957* OF 2011-2012.]

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An Act relative to volunteer ambulance service.

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: Chapter 111c of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 25, as inserted by chapter 188 of the acts of 2010, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 25. (a) When a class I, II or V ambulance transports a patient receiving care at the paramedic level of advanced life support the ambulance shall be staffed in accordance with regulations promulgated by the department, with a minimum of 2 emergency medical technicians, only 1 of whom shall be certified at the EMT-Paramedic level; provided, however, that the service staffing a class I, II or V ambulance may staff the ambulance with more than 1 emergency medical technician certified at the EMT-Paramedic level.

(b) When a class I, II or V ambulance operated by a volunteer ambulance service provider transports a patient receiving care at the non-paramedic level of basic life support, the ambulance shall be staffed in accordance with regulations promulgated by the department, with at least 1 emergency medical technician who is certified at minimum at the EMT-Basic level, and 1 EMS first responder; provided, however, that the service staffing a class I, II or V ambulance may staff the ambulance with more than 1 emergency medical technician.

SECTION 2: The department shall promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to implement the provisions of this section.