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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John 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:

An Act relative to burial benefits of veterans..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John Hart, Jr.	*First Suffolk*
Christopher G. Fallon	*33rd Middlesex*
Sal N. DiDomenico	*Middlesex and Suffolk*
Thomas M. Stanley	*9th Middlesex*
Martin J. Walsh	*13th Suffolk*

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By Mr. Hart, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1730) of John Hart, Jr., Christopher G. Fallon, Sal N. DiDomenico, Thomas M. Stanley and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to burial benefits of veterans. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
SENATE
, NO. *1824* OF 2011-2012.]

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An Act relative to burial benefits of veterans..

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 8 of Chapter 115 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official edition, is hereby amended by striking out lines 1 through 14 and inserting in place thereof the following:-

"Amounts expended by the burial agent under the provisions of section 7 shall not exceed $5,000 for the funeral and burial of a person under this chapter, provided that the cost of funeral and burial does not exceed $6,000 and there are insufficient resources in the estate of such person to pay for the cost of such funeral and burial.

Amounts expended by the burial agent under the provisions of section 7 shall not exceed $3,000 for the cremation, funeral and burial of a person under this chapter, provided that the cost of the cremation, funeral and burial does not exceed $4,000 and there are insufficient resources in the estate of such person to pay for the cost of such cremation, funeral and burial."