

HOUSE No. 1212

By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1212) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others relative to emergency medical technician certification of veterans and military medics. Public Health. *Veterans and Federal Affairs*

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

January 23, 2017.

Referred to the committee on

~~PUBLIC HEALTH.~~

Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Steven T. James
Clerk.

Disch. to Veterans and Federal Affairs

~~Senate~~ JAN 16 2018

~~Senate comm.~~

William F. Welch

~~Clerk~~

SENATE,

January 23, 2017.

The Senate concurs

William F. Welch

H. R., January 11, 2018,

Committee on Public Health asks to be discharged and recommends reference to committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs

Kate Regan (TA)
For the committee.

Acc: Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Steven T. James, Clerk.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Poirier

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to EMT certification of veterans and military medics.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.	5th Worcester
David F. DeCoste	5th Plymouth
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex
Mathew Muratore	1st Plymouth
Keiko M. Orrall	12th Bristol
Timothy R. Whelan	1st Barnstable
William Crocker	2nd Barnstable

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to EMT certification of veterans and military medics.

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. Subsection (b) of section 3 of chapter 111C of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after clause (3) the
3 following clause:-

4 (3A) develop standards and promulgate regulations establishing criteria for determining
5 the extent to which the education and training requirements for veterans and military medics of
the United States Armed Forces are substantially equivalent to the education and training
requirements of emergency medical technicians in the commonwealth;

SECTION 2. Said chapter 111C is hereby further amended by inserting after section 9 the
following section:-

Section 9A. The department shall, based on the department standards and regulations
established pursuant to clause (3A) of subsection (b) of section 3, determine if veterans or
military medics of the United States Armed Forces applying for emergency medical technician,

13 hereinafter EMT, certification in the commonwealth have completed courses or training required
14 by the United States Armed Forces that is substantially equivalent to the state emergency training
15 requirements. If the department determines that a veteran or military medic applying for EMT
16 certification has completed substantially equivalent training, the department shall issue a waiver
17 of any course or training requirement for certification in the commonwealth, for any course or
18 training completed through the United States Armed Forces that is found, by the department, to
19 be substantially equivalent to the requirement of certification in the commonwealth; provided,
20 that the applicant submits sufficient proof of completion of the substantially equivalent training
21 to the department. No veteran or military medic applying for EMT certification who has
22 completed substantially equivalent emergency training with the United States Armed Forces, as
23 determined by the department, shall be required to complete the same training for EMT
24 certification or licensing in the commonwealth.

25 The department shall issue a verification of EMT training equivalency to the applicant
26 upon a determination that the applicant's training, including any substantially equivalent training
27 received in the United States Armed Forces and accepted pursuant to this section, satisfies the
28 commonwealth's training requirements.

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**BILL RELATIVE TO EMT
CERTIFICATION OF VETERANS
AND MILITARY MEDICS**
