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RE: H2333 An Act relative to public employees serving in the armed forces of the

commonwealth or the armed forces of the United States

DT: 3 November 2015

Dear Honorable Chair and Members of the Joint Committee on Public Service,

Thank you for considering *H2333*, An Act relative to public employees serving in the armed forces of the commonwealth or the armed forces of the United States before your committee on November 10th.

This bill was filed on behalf of a constituent. The constituent was a state employee and frustrated because his family would be without his State pay and benefits while he attended basic training to become a reservist. The Commonwealth continues to extend job benefits and does pay differential for its employees when they undergo military training or are deployed. It does not extend those benefits to employees when they are in basic training though. My bill would change that.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I respectfully request that *H2333*, An Act relative to public employees serving in the armed forces of the commonwealth or the armed forces of the United States be released favorably and expeditiously from your committee. Sincerely,

Paul Heroux