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RE: H2325 An Act pertaining to police and firefighter residency requirements- language correction

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Dear Chairman Murphy of the Joint Committee on Public Service,

Thank you for considering bill *H2325 An Act pertaining to police and firefighter residency requirement*. I filed this bill on behalf of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts. An error within the bill text was recently brought to my attention and I would like to correct it. The bill as filed stated fifteen miles. It was supposed to be fifty miles. Attached, you will find the corrected bill text with the change bolded and italicized.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Heroux".

Paul Heroux

H2325 An Act pertaining to police and firefighter residency requirements

Chapter 41 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking Section 99A: Chapter 41 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF CITITES, TOWNS AND DISTRCITS POLICE OFFICERS and by adding the following new section; Chapter 41: Section 99A.

Section 99A. Any member of the regular police or fire department and fire alarm division of a city or town appointed subsequent to August first, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight shall reside within *fifty* miles of the limits of said city or town. Said distance shall be measured from the closest border limits of said city or town in which said member is employed to the closest border limits of the city or town in which said member lives; provided however, if any said city or town by local ordinance or by-law to which the provisions of paragraph (d) of section seven of chapter one hundred and fifty E of the General Laws shall apply, or by collective bargaining agreement shall require the members of a regular police or fire department appointed on or after August first, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight to be residents of such city or town, the provision of such local ordinance, by-law or collective bargaining agreement shall supersede the provision of this section and provided further such local ordinance, by-law or collective bargaining agreement shall apply only to those members of a regular police or fire department appointed subsequent to the adoption of such local ordinance, by-law or collective bargaining agreement.