

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2420**

By Mr. Fresolo of Worcester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2420) of John P. Fresolo and another relative to minimum staffing discussions in collective bargaining negotiations. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**John P. Fresolo**

*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 bill:

**An Act relative to labor relations.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester
Robert B. McCarthy	PFFM President

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**  
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**AN ACT RELATIVE TO LABOR RELATIONS.**

*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. Section 6 of Chapter 150E, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting  
2 in line 7, between the words "workload" and "but" the following new language: " and in the case of fire personnel.  
3 minimum manning of shift coverage".

4 SECTION 2. The fifth paragraph of clause (a) of subdivision 3 of Section 4A of Chapter 1078 of the Acts of 1973  
5 is hereby amended by striking out in the fourth sentence the following words: " Notwithstanding any other provision  
6 of this act to the contrary, no municipal employer shall be required to negotiate over subjects of minimum manning  
7 of shift coverage, with an employee organization representing municipal police officers and firefighters" and  
8 inserting in place thereof the following new sentence.

9 "Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, no municipal employer shall be required to  
10 negotiate over the subject of the total number of fire or police personnel to be employed by the municipality ;  
11 however, the subject of minimum manning of shift coverage shall be within the scope of arbitration with an  
12 employee organization representing firefighters."