

HOUSE No. 1400

By Messrs. Desmond, Lord and Marchand of Lowell, petition of Raymond J. Lord and George E. Marchand for legislation to authorize increases of the amounts of pensions payable to certain former public employees who have been retired. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Seven.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING INCREASES OF THE AMOUNTS OF PENSIONS PAYABLE TO CERTAIN FORMER PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE BEEN RETIRED.

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. The amount of the pension, or of the
2 retirement allowance, of any former employee or bene-
3 ficiary of a deceased employee of the commonwealth
4 or of any county, city, town or district thereof, in-
5 cluding teachers, who was retired, prior to January
6 first, nineteen hundred and forty-six, under any pro-
7 vision of general or special law shall be increased by an
8 amount not exceeding twelve hundred dollars; pro-
9 vided, that such increase shall not be made in the case
10 of a pension or of a retirement allowance which is in
11 excess of twelve hundred dollars in amount; and pro-
12 vided, further, that no pension or retirement allowance
13 shall be increased hereunder by an amount that will

14 make the same exceed twelve hundred dollars annually;
15 and provided, further, that the provisions of this act
16 shall not apply in the case of any person whose pension
17 or retirement allowance is increased under the pro-
18 visions of any other general or special act of the
19 current year.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall not take effect in any
2 county, city, town or district until accepted in a count
3 by the county commissioners thereof, by a majority
4 vote of the city council, with the approval of the mayor
5 or city manager, in a town by a two thirds vote at a
6 town meeting, and in a district by its prudential com-
7 mittee.

1 SECTION 3. The increases provided by this act
2 shall date from September first, nineteen hundred and
3 forty-seven, in the case of persons retired under the
4 teachers' retirement system and under the retirement
5 system for state employees.