

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1808

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By Mr. Telford of Plainville, petition of Clarence F. Telford for legislation to define further the word "veteran" under the contributory retirement law for public employees. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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AN ACT FURTHER DEFINING THE WORD "VETERAN" UNDER THE CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT LAW FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 The last paragraph of section 1 of chapter 32 of the  
2 General Laws, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 658  
3 of the acts of 1945, is hereby amended by inserting  
4 after the word "insurrection" in lines 5 and 6 the  
5 words:—, or in any campaign or expedition for  
6 which a campaign badge has been authorized, — so  
7 as to read as follows: — "Veteran", any person who  
8 has served in the army, navy, coast guard or marine  
9 corps of the United States, or in any corps or unit  
10 of the United States established for the purpose of  
11 enabling women to serve with, or as auxiliary to, the  
12 armed forces of the United States, in time of war or  
13 insurrection, or in any campaign or expedition for

14 which a campaign badge has been authorized and  
15 whose last discharge or release from active duty was  
16 under conditions other than dishonorable, regardless  
17 of any prior discharge or release therefrom; provided,  
18 that no member of the United States coast guard  
19 auxiliary and no temporary member of the United  
20 States coast guard reserve shall be deemed to be a  
21 "veteran" within the meaning of this definition.