
By Mr. O'Connor of Springfield, petition of Thomas J. O'Connor, Jr., for the granting of an annuity to the surviving spouse of public officials or employees who have been retired on pensions under non-contributory retirement systems. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Six.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE GRANTING OF AN ANNUITY TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OF ANY PUBLIC OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE WHO HAS BEEN RETIRED OR PENSIONED UNDER ANY NON-CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

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

1 Chapter 32 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) is hereby
2 amended by inserting after section 95 the following sec-
3 tion:—

4 *Section 95A.* For the purpose of promoting the pub-
5 lic good, and in consideration of long and meritorious
6 service of any official or employee who has been retired
7 or pensioned under any non-contributory system, a city
8 or town may grant an annuity to his surviving spouse
9 who is not receiving a retirement allowance or pension
10 under the provisions of any general or special law, and
11 so long as such spouse survives and does not remarry,
12 or if no surviving spouse, to a legal guardian, for the bene-
13 fit of any surviving child who is unmarried and under age
14 eighteen, in an amount equal to the retirement allowance
15 or pension received by such official or employee, but in
16 any event not to exceed the sum of two thousand dol-
17 lars; provided, that such official or employee has been
18 permanently employed on full-time basis by such city or
19 town for not less than fifteen years.

