

By Mr. Flaherty of Boston, petition of the Metropolitan Police Patrolmen Local 1576 and Michael F. Flaherty for legislation to grant payments to police officers who are furthering their education in certain secondary or college accredited programs. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Three.

**AN ACT RELATIVE TO EDUCATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS.**

*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 108M of chapter 41 of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended as follows: —

3 *Section 108M.* A city or town or any agency, department,  
4 board or commission of the commonwealth which employs a  
5 permanent police officer who is enrolled as a student in good  
6 standing in a police, law enforcement, criminal justice or police  
7 career oriented course of study at a college or university  
8 accredited by the New England Association of Colleges and  
9 Secondary Schools, Inc., or the board of higher education,  
10 shall, subject to the approval of the appointing authority, and  
11 chief of police or any other officer having similar duties, pay  
12 said police officer his full weekly salary during the normal  
13 thirty-two weeks such college or university is in session; pro-  
14 vided, that he is enrolled for at least sixteen hours of classroom  
15 instruction, works twenty-four hours a week on regular duty as  
16 a police officer in said city or town or agency, department,  
17 board or commission and during regularly scheduled school  
18 vacations works his regular tour of duty; and provided, further,  
19 that he is studying for a baccalaureate, master's or higher  
20 degree. Each officer who is enrolled in a college or university  
21 shall remain in full-time employment as a police officer in such  
22 city or town or agency, department, board or commission of  
23 the commonwealth after completion of such course of study  
24 for as many years as he has been aided under this section.

By Mr. [Name] of [State]...

SECTION 1

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives...

That the Secretary of the Interior...

in and to the effect that...

SECTION 2

That the Secretary of the Interior...