

By Mr. Buglione of Methuen, petition of Nicholas J. Buglione, Thomas R. Lussier and Samuel Rotondi that provision be made for a certain creditable service for veterans under the contributory retirement law. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two.

AN ACT PROVIDING A CERTAIN CREDITABLE SERVICE FOR VETERANS.

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

1 Subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as  
2 most recently amended by chapter 49 of the acts of 1975, is hereby  
3 further amended by adding the following paragraph: —

4 (q) Any member who is inducted into the Armed Forces of the  
5 United States for training and service and who was granted a leave  
6 of absence to perform such services shall receive full credit for  
7 retirement purposes, for the period of such service, provided that  
8 he pays into the annuity savings fund of the retirement system of  
9 which said employee is a member the amount that would have been  
10 withheld as regular deductions from his salary had he not been  
11 granted such leave, plus interest to date of payment.

12 Any such member when reinstated or reemployed in his former  
13 position or in a similar position or when employed in any govern-  
14 mental unit in a position which is subject to the provisions of  
15 sections one to twenty-eight, inclusive; provided, however, that he  
16 pays into the annuity fund the amount that would have been  
17 withheld as regular compensation plus interest within ninety days  
18 of his discharge or release from such service; and provided, further,  
19 that such service shall not be construed to include service of more  
20 than four years unless such further period of service in excess of  
21 four years was involuntary service required by the government of  
22 the United States in accordance with the provisions of paragraph  
23 (h).

