

SENATE No. 1260

By Mr. Aleixo, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1260) of Joseph M. Bonavita and Theodore J. Aleixo, Jr., for legislation relative to the retirement rights of direct patient care employees in the Department of Mental Retardation. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT RIGHTS OF DIRECT PATIENT CARE EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL RETARDATION.

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. Section 28L of Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts
2 General Laws shall be amended to include the following new
3 second paragraph to be inserted after paragraph one ending with
4 the words "retirement board" and before the present paragraph
5 beginning with the words "the retirement allowances":

6 Any direct patient care employee of the Department of Mental
7 Retardation who has performed services in the Department of
8 Mental Retardation (formerly the Department of Mental Health)
9 for not less than twenty years shall, at his/her own request be
10 retired by the Retirement Board.

11 The retirement allowances under this section shall be the same
12 as those provided for in paragraph (c) of subdivision (3) of section
13 twenty-six.

1 SECTION 2. Section 3(2)(g) of Chapter 32 of the Massachu-
2 setts General Laws shall be amended to include direct patient care
3 employees of the Department of Mental Retardation in Group
4 4 of the retirement system.

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IN REPLY TO A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE SENATE

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