

HOUSE No. 2556

By Mr. Cuffe of Lynn (by request), petition of the Massachusetts Federation of Teachers AFL:CIO that the computation of superannuation retirement allowances be based on the highest average earnings of a two-year period. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE COMPUTATION OF THE AMOUNT OF SUPERANNUATION RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES BE BASED ON THE HIGHEST AVERAGE EARNINGS OF CERTAIN TWO-YEAR PERIODS INSTEAD OF FIVE-YEAR PERIODS.

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 5 of chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended
2 by striking out paragraph (a) of subdivision (2), as most recently
3 amended by chapter 215 of the acts of 1960, and inserting in
4 place thereof the following paragraph:—

5 (a) The normal yearly amount of the retirement allowance
6 for any member classified in either Group A or Group B, who has
7 paid the full amount of regular deductions on the total amount
8 of regular compensation, including deductions specified in sub-
9 division (3A) of section three, and in paragraph (d) of sub-
10 division (1) of section twenty-two, shall, subject to the limita-
11 tions set forth in this section, be based on the average annual
12 rate of regular compensation not exceeding seventy-five hundred
13 dollars received by such member during any period of two con-
14 secutive years of creditable service for which such rate of com-
15 pensation was the highest, or on the average annual rate of
16 regular compensation not exceeding ten thousand dollars re-
17 ceived by such member during the period or periods, whether
18 consecutive or not, constituting his last two years of creditable

19 service preceding retirement, whichever is the greater, and shall
 20 be computed according to the following table based on the age
 21 of such member and his number of years and full months of
 22 creditable service at the time of his retirement.

Table showing Percentage of the Amount of Average Annual Rate of Regular Compensation to be multiplied by the Number of Years of Creditable Service.

PER CENT.	AGE LAST BIRTHDAY AT DATE OF RETIREMENT.	
	Group A.	Group B.
2.5	65 or over	60 or over
2.4	64	59
2.3	63	58
2.2	62	57
2.1	61	56
2.0	60	55
1.9	59	-
1.8	58	-
1.7	57	-
1.6	56	-
1.5	55	-