

SENATE No. 974

By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 974) of Arthur Joseph Lewis, Jr., and the Massachusetts Retired Police and Firefighters Association, by John A. Rossi, for legislation to amend the survivor benefits of certain widows. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SURVIVOR BENEFITS OF CERTAIN WIDOWS.

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 one hundred and one of chapter thirty-two of the
2 General Laws as most recently amended by chapter seven
3 hundred and ninety-three of the acts of 1972, is hereby further
4 amended by adding after the last sentence the following: —

5 In the event of the death of any former employee who had
6 been retired under the provisions of this chapter after having
7 been found to be incapacitated for further duty by reason of
8 injuries sustained while in the performance of his duties,
9 under which retirement he was unable to provide for any
10 annual benefits to be paid to his widow at the time of his
11 death, there shall be paid to the widow of the marriage in
12 existence at the time of his death an annual allowance in the
13 amount of sixteen hundred and eighty dollars for as long as
14 she remains unmarried; provided that any benefit payable
15 under this section shall be in the alternative to any benefit to
16 which said widow would be entitled under the provisions of
17 any other section of this chapter.

