

By Mr. Flaherty of Boston, petition of Michael F. Flaherty relative to the retirement rights of certain judges. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT RIGHTS OF CERTAIN JUDGES.

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 65D of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as most
2 recently amended by section 2 of chapter 556 of the acts of
3 1979, is hereby further amended by striking out subsection (g)
4 and inserting in place thereof the following subsection: —

5 (g) Notwithstanding any other provision in this chapter any
6 judge who was appointed on or after January 2, 1975, for the
7 purpose of determining eligibility of his or her spouse for
8 pension income in the event of the death of the judge, shall be
9 credited with earning one-tenth of the pension amount due his
10 or her surviving spouse for each year the said judge serves in
11 such office with a maximum credit for ten years service.

12 In the event the surviving spouse remarries, survivor benefits
13 shall be reduced by half with the remainder going to any issue
14 who have not attained the age of eighteen or who are under
15 the age of twenty-two who are full-time students.

16 In the event the judge leaves no surviving spouse but leaves
17 issue who have not attained the age of eighteen or who are
18 under the age of twenty-two and who are full-time students
19 shall receive a pro rata share of what the spouse would have
20 received if said spouse had survived the judge.

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