

By Mr. Finneran of Boston, petition of Thomas M. Finneran and Kevin W. Fitzgerald (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to authorizing and directing the State Boston Retirement Board to retire Paul R. O'Neil, a police officer of the city of Boston. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT DIRECTING THE STATE BOSTON RETIREMENT BOARD TO RETIRE PAUL R. O'NEIL, A POLICE OFFICER OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the
2 contrary and in order to promote the public good, the State
3 Boston Retirement Board is hereby authorized and directed to
4 retire Paul R. O'Neil, a police officer of the City of Boston, who
5 as a result of injuries sustained while in the performance of his
6 duties on February 8, 1985 while making an arrest on Blue Hill
7 Ave., Mattapan, is unable to work leaving him with back and leg
8 injuries. Mr. O'Neil was pushed off a roof by a criminal defendant.
9 He also has been injured on duty on several occasions from the
10 period of 1975 to 1985. This involved extensive damage to his
11 lower back and leg. He is receiving physical therapy to reduce pain
12 in walking and standing. The fall resulted in permanently
13 incapacitating him for further service as a police officer, at a yearly
14 amount of pension equal to the regular rate of compensation
15 which he would have been paid had he continued in service as
16 a Boston Police Officer at the grade held by him at the time of
17 his retirement. Such retirement shall become effective as of the
18 date following the last day on which he received regular
19 compensation. Upon such retirement, the State Boston
20 Retirement Board shall forthwith pay to him the amount credited
21 to him as accumulated total deductions in the annuity savings.

1 SECTION 2. Said Paul R. O'Neil shall be entitled to receive
2 such indemnification for all hospital, medical and related expenses
3 that have been or may be, incurred after the date of his retirement
4 as a result of the injuries sustained by him while in the performance
5 of his duties, according to the provisions of Chapter 41 of the
6 General Laws.

1 SECTION 3. Upon the death of said Paul R. O'Neil, leaving
2 Rose C. O'Neil, his wife surviving him, the State Boston
3 Retirement Board shall pay to her so long as she remains
4 unmarried, an annuity in the amount of three fourths the amount
5 of the pension payable to him, per month at the time of his death.
6 If said Rose C. O'Neil, remarries, said City shall pay, in lieu of
7 the aforesaid annuity to her, an annuity of five hundred and
8 twenty dollars per month to her.