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By Mr. Bartley of Holyoke, petition of David M. Bartley for legislation to permit veterans in the public service to retire after twenty-five years service and at seventy-two per cent of their highest annual rate of compensation. Public Service.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PERMITTING THE RETIREMENT OF VETERANS AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' SERVICE AND INCREASING THEIR ANNUAL PENSIONS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 striking out section 58, as most recently amended by sec-  
3 tion 1 of chapter 700 of the acts of 1968, and inserting in  
4 place thereof the following section:—

5 *Section 58.* A veteran who has been in the service of the  
6 commonwealth, or of any county, city, town or district or  
7 any housing authority, for a total period of twenty-five years  
8 in the aggregate, shall, at his own request, with the approval  
9 of the retiring authority, be retired from active service at  
10 seventy-two per cent of the highest annual rate of com-  
11 pensation, including any bonuses paid in lieu of additional  
12 salary or as a temporary wage increase in addition to his  
13 regular compensation, and including any maintenance allow-  
14 ance, payable to him while he was holding the grade held  
15 by him at his retirement, and payable from the same source.

