

By Mr. Bowler of Springfield, petition of James J. Bowler and Alan D. Sisitsky relative to the payment of allowances to widows and certain children of persons retired for ordinary disability and accidental disability. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PAYMENT OF ALLOWANCES TO WIDOWS AND CERTAIN CHILDREN OF PERSONS RETIRED FOR ORDINARY DISABILITY AND ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY.

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. Section 6 of chapter 32 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by inserting after subdivision (3) the follow-
3 ing subdivision:—

4 (4) In the event of the death of any member retired under
5 this section, his surviving widow to whom he was married and
6 with whom he had been living at the time of his retirement,
7 shall receive an allowance of one hundred dollars a month so
8 long as she does not remarry, and if there are any children of
9 said deceased member who are under the age of eighteen or
10 over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from
11 earning on the date of said employee's retirement, an addi-
12 tional allowance of fifty dollars a month for one child plus an
13 allowance of thirty-five dollars a month for each additional
14 child shall be paid to the widow for the benefit of all such
15 children. If there is no surviving widow of such member or his
16 surviving widow dies, such amount as would be payable to a
17 widow under this section for her own use and for the benefit
18 of such children shall be paid in equal shares for the benefit of
19 such surviving children to a legally appointed guardian. If a
20 widow remarries all payments under the foregoing provisions
21 shall terminate, and thereafter shall be paid for the benefit of
22 each child thirty-five dollars a month allowance. Allowances

23 otherwise payable to a widow shall terminate upon her
24 remarriage and allowances otherwise payable or for a child
25 shall terminate upon his adoption.

1 SECTION 2. Section 7 of said chapter 32 is hereby further
2 amended by inserting after subdivision (5) the following
3 subdivision:—

4 (6) In the event of the death of any member retired under
5 this section, his surviving widow to whom he was married and
6 with whom he had been living at the time of his retirement,
7 shall receive an allowance of one hundred dollars a month so
8 long as she does not remarry, and if there are any children of
9 said deceased member who are under the age of eighteen or
10 over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from
11 earning on the date of said employee's retirement, an addi-
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21 each child thirty-five dollars a month allowance. Allowances
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