

SENATE. No. 1316

By Mr. Brewer, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1316) of Stephen M. Brewer, Barbara Royce and Mary S. Rogeness for legislation relative to retirement buy-back from the Massachusetts teachers retirement system. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and One.

**AN ACT RELATIVE TO RETIREMENT BUY-BACK FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS
RETIREMENT SYSTEM.**

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

1 Subdivisions (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws,
2 as appearing in the 1996 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
3 inserting after paragraph (f ½) the following paragraph:—
4 (f¾) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter or any
5 other general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the
6 period or periods during which any member in service of the
7 teachers' retirement system was on unpaid leave of absence or
8 resigned prior to 1975 for the purposes of maternity leave while
9 rendering service in any other state for any previous period as a
10 teacher, principal, supervisor or superintendent in the public day
11 schools or other day school under exclusive public control and
12 supervision, or in a public academy, or as a teacher, principal
13 supervisor or president in a state normal school, state teacher's
14 college or like institution, or other college under exclusive public
15 control and supervision, or in a public academy, or who was
16 employed in a state department of education as supervisor of
17 teachers or education methods shall be allowed as creditable
18 service, on a proportionate basis which the board shall determine
19 according to rules and regulations adopted by the board and
20 approved by the commission; provided, that no credit shall be
21 allowed until such member has paid into the annuity savings fund
22 of the system before any retirement allowance becomes effective

23 for such member, in one sum, or in installments, upon such terms
24 and conditions as the board may prescribe, an amount that is equal
25 to the regular deductions that would have been withheld from the
26 member's regular compensation had the member continued in
27 service on the same terms and conditions as immediately before
28 said leave, plus regular interest; and provided further, that no
29 credit shall be allowed and no payment shall be accepted until the
30 member shall have completed ten or more years of membership
31 service. The maximum creditable service allowable under this
32 paragraph for any member shall not exceed four years.