HOUSE . . . . . . No. 6256

By Mr. Craven of Boston, petition of the Massachusetts Retired Police and Firefighters Association, Inc., and James J. Craven, Jr., relative to retirement benefits for certain public employees. Public Service.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO RETIREMENT BENEFITS.

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

Any city, town or district which has accepted the provision of 1 2 section ninety C and accepts the provisions of this section in the 3 manner herein after provided, may, in the case of a city by two thirds vote of the city council and with the approval of the mayor, 4 5 or in the case of a town by a two thirds vote at the annual town meeting, or in a district by a two thirds vote of its prudential 6 committee, increase the retirement allowance of any former employee retired under any provision of earlier law on account of ordinary disability after having served such city, town or district 9 10 for a period of not less than twenty-five years to an amount not exceeding one half the rate of regular compensation payable to 11 employees of such city, town or district holding similar positions at 12 the time of increasing such allowance in the same grade or classifi-13 cation occupied by such former employee at the time of his retire-14 15 ment.

Any police officer or firefighter who, after having completed twenty-five years of service and having been retired under the provision of this section, shall have the retirement allowance increased to an amount of one half the rate of regular compensation payable to employees of such city, town or district holding similar

21 positions at the time of his retirement.

