

*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

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MEMORANDUM OF THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE SECRETARY IN RESPECT TO THE PETITION OF STEPHEN J. KAROL FOR LEGISLATION TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF DEATH BENEFITS PAID BY THE ATTLEBORO POLICE RELIEF ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED.

March 9, 1993.

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.*

On March 5, 1993 the Clerk of the House transmitted the above referenced petition to me with a request for a memorandum pursuant to General Laws Chapter 3, §7.

The Attleboro Police Relief Association, Incorporated was organized pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 176 on January 5, 1956. The corporation was formed for the purpose of paying death benefits not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) and disability benefits not exceeding one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) per week to the members of their beneficiaries.

Chapter 228 of the Acts of 1990 amended the charter of the corporation to authorize it to pay the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) upon the death or retirement of any member.

The bill before you seeks to increase the amount payable to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).

The subject of the proposed legislation comes within the purview of the Commissioner of Insurance. It is respectfully suggested that an opinion be sought from that office.

Finally, it appears special legislation is necessary to effect the desired result.

This office has no opinion on the merits of the bill. No fee is required to be paid to the Commonwealth pursuant to Chapter 3, §7 by a corporation of this type.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL J. CONNOLLY,  
*Secretary of State.*

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By Mr. Karol of Attleboro, petition of Stephen J. Karol for legislation to increase the amount of death benefits paid by the Attleboro Police Relief Association, Incorporated. Insurance.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Three.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO CERTAIN BENEFITS WHICH MAY BE PAID BY THE  
ATTLEBORO POLICE RELIEF ASSOCIATION, INC.

*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 two hundred and twenty-eight of the acts of nineteen
- 2 hundred and ninety is hereby amended in the first sentence by
- 3 striking out the words, "fifteen hundred" and inserting in place
- 4 thereof the following: — "two thousand."