HOUSE . . . . . . No. 2648

By Ms. Malia of Boston, petition of Elizabeth A. Malia relative to the retirement rights of employees of the departments of Public Health, Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Public Service.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT RIGHTS OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, AND MENTAL RETARDATION.

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

Subsection g of Section 3 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding

the following new language:-Group 2. Public works building police; permanent watershed 4 guards and permanent park police; University of Massachusetts 5 police; employees of the Massachusetts Port Authority comprising guards, guard sergeants, head guard and chief of waterfront police; officials and employees of the Department of Public Safety having police signal operators or signal maintenance repairmen; ambulance 10 attendants of a municipal department who are required to respond to fires and perform duties assigned to them; employees of a city or 11 12 town who are employed as licensed electricians and elevator maintenance men employed by a county; employees of Cushing Hospital; 14 employees of the Commonwealth or of any county, regardless of any 15 official classification, except sheriff, superintendent, assistant deputy superintendent and correction officers of county correctional facili-16

18 custody, instruction or other supervision of prisoners; and employees19 of the Commonwealth or of any county whose regular and major

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ties, whose regular and major duties require them to have the care,

20 duties require them to have the care, custody, instruction or other 21 supervision of parolees or persons who are mentally ill or mentally

supervision of parolees or persons who are mentally ill or mentally 22 defective or defective delinquents or wayward children and

- 23 employees of Cushing Hospital; and all employees of the Depart-
- 24 ment of Mental Retardation, Mental Health and Public Health; pro-
- 25 vided, that no member who attains age sixty-five while classified in
- 26 Group 1 may thereafter be classified in Group 2, irrespective of
- 27 change in employment.