

By Mr. Thompson of Cambridge, petition of Alvin E. Thompson relative to the retirement rights of certain employees who contribute five per cent to the contributory retirement system. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT RELEVANT TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES.

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

1 Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 32, or any other  
2 general or special law, rule regulation to the contrary, a member in  
3 the service of a retirement system as defined in section one who is  
4 a 5% employee for retirement purposes, age fifty-eight or more  
5 with thirty or more years of service shall be placed in group 2 for  
6 retirement purposes and further, those eligible may buy up to  
7 three years of service at their rate of pay as of the passage date of  
8 this legislation.

9 For the retirement system of any political subdivision, the pro-  
10 visions of this act shall take effect on the effective date of this act  
11 by majority vote of the local legislative body. For the purposes of  
12 this paragraph, "local legislative body" shall mean a town meeting  
13 for a town system, the city council subject to the provisions of its  
14 charter for a city system, the county commissioners for a county  
15 system, the district members for a district system and the gov-  
16 erning body of an authority for an authority system. Acceptance  
17 shall be deemed to have occurred upon the filing of a certificate of  
18 such vote with the commissioner. The purpose of this amendment  
19 shall be valid for a period of two years from the passage of this  
20 provision.

