
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 1, 1997.

The committee on Public Service, to whom were referred so much of the recommendations of the Executive Office of Public Safety (House, No. 173) as relates to police services provided to the Port Authority and Turnpike Authority (accompanied by bill, House, No. 179), and so much of the recommendations of the Executive Office of Public Safety (House, No. 173) as relates to the positions of deputy chief medical examiner and associate chief medical examiner (accompanied by bill, House, No. 183), and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 343) of Christine E. Canavan, Kevin W. Fitzgerald and Michael W. Morrissey relative to insurance coverage for retired public employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 351) of Nancy Flavin (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt the position of custodian in the town of South Hadley from provisions of the civil service law; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 352) of Nancy Flavin (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt the position of director of the board of health in the town of South Hadley from provisions of the civil service law; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 368) of the Massachusetts Correction Officers Federated Union and Joan M. Menard for legislation to establish a correctional officers bill of rights; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 390) of Jo Ann Sprague for legislation to further regulate the order of placement on civil service lists of children of certain fire fighters and police officers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 555) of J. Michael Ruane that civil service appointing authorities be authorized to summons witnesses; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 579) of Alvin E. Thompson and another that the Commonwealth, counties, and cities and towns be prohibited from employing private counsels; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 583) of Alvin E. Thompson and another relative to establishing a bill of rights for municipal police officers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 584) of Alvin E. Thompson and another for legislation to establish a law enforce-

ment bill of rights; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 594) of Alvin E. Thompson and another for legislation to regulate the conduct of public and certain private employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 600) of Alvin E. Thompson and another relative to reduction in rank for certain public employees in cities and towns; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 601) of Alvin E. Thompson and another for legislation to regulate the suspension of police officers charged with misconduct during the performance of duty; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 611) of Alvin E. Thompson and another relative to promotional exams for police and fire personnel; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 785) of AFSCME Council 93 and Salvatore F. DiMasi relative to unauthorized leaves of absence for public employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 789) of Anthony P. Giglio and another relative to veterans holding unclassified positions in state service; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 790) of Anthony P. Giglio, Vincent P. Ciampa and another relative to the order of eligibility for police and fire service of spouses of certain police officers and fire fighters; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 791) of Anthony P. Giglio for legislation to authorize the Personnel Administrator to certify and to place first on the eligible list the name of Jason S. Stowers for the position of police officer in the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 793) of Anthony P. Giglio for legislation to authorize the Personnel Administrator to certify Christopher R. Kenney for appointment as a police officer in the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 817) of Mary Jeanette Murray for legislation to require criminal record information checks for certain employees within the Executive Office of Health and Human Services; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 969) of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts and Steven Angelo for legislation to further regulate eligibility lists for certain civil service examinations; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 978) of Martin Boroian relative to the employment rights of Martin Boroian; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1015) of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts and Alvin E. Thompson relative to the appointment of veterans to municipal police and fire departments; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1021) of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts and Alvin E. Thompson for legislation

to regulate the promotions of certain public safety employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1025) of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts and Alvin E. Thompson relative to the rights of fire fighters and police officers under the civil service law; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1207) of the Boston Fire Fighters Local 718 and Kevin G. Honan relative to appeals from administrators review of training and experience under the civil service law; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1208) of the Boston Fire Fighters Local 718 and Kevin G. Honan relative to additional points on promotional exams for certain veterans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1211) of the Boston Fire Fighters Local 718 and Kevin G. Honan relative to the appointment of municipal fire fighters; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1212) of the Boston Fire Fighters Local 718 and Kevin G. Honan relative to the age requirement for the appointment of municipal fire fighters; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1213) of Richard C. Gonzalez relative to the seniority rights of correction officers appointed to the Department of the State Police; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1217) of Mary Jeanette Murray relative to the employment rights of fire service personnel in towns; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1221) of Douglas W. Stoddart for legislation to prohibit the video taping of public employees in the workplace; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1391) of Carol C. Cleven, Edward G. Connolly, Mary Jane Simmons and Robert S. Hargraves relative to reemployment listings and the associated costs of such lists for public employment; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1401) of Douglas W. Stoddart that public employees who use tobacco products be assessed an annual surcharge for health insurance costs; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1581) of Brian S. Dempsey relative to the appointment of deputy environmental police officers in cities and towns; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1792) of Frank M. Hynes and another relative to health care insurance premiums for certain former employees of the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1803) of Alvin E. Thompson, Shirley Owens-Hicks, Gloria L. Fox and Charlotte Golar Richie for legislation to establish a statewide civil service promotional examination for female patrol officers to become

sergeants; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1989) of Albert L. O'Neil and Angelo M. Scaccia relative to the placing of names of applicants on eligibility lists for civil service appointments; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2192) of AFSCME Council 93, relative to the certification of water department employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2197) of AFSCME Council 93 and Angelo M. Scaccia for legislation to reduce subsidiary accounts of employees in public higher education in the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2202) of SEIU, Local 509, and Alvin E. Thompson for legislation to regulate the professional qualifications for the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2371) of Robert A. DeLeo, William G. Reinstein and Robert E. Travaglini that the Port Authority and the Water Resources Authority be directed to establish a program of priority hiring for residents affected by the operation of said authorities; the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 2375) of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, John A. Lepper, Mary Jane Simmons, Bruce E. Tarr, Barbara C. Hyland, Emile J. Goguen and Francis L. Marini for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the benefits and employment conditions of police officers and fire fighters in cities and towns; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2771) of the Massachusetts Police Association, Ronald Mariano and Michael G. Bellotti relative to residency requirements for police and fire department personnel in cities and towns; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3338) of Paul E. Caron relative to life insurance benefits for certain retired employees of the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3343) of Paul E. Caron, James P. Jajuga and Robert F. Fennell that appointees to fire departments be required to complete a course of training prescribed by the Massachusetts Fire Training Council; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3710) of Paul E. Caron and James P. Jajuga relative to certain hearings by the Public Employee Retirement Administration; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3719) of Mary Jeanette Murray, Edward G. Connolly and Jo Ann Sprague relative to civil service examination fees for veterans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3727) of Ellen Story and others for legislation to

establish an educational incentive compensation program for county corrections officers and sheriffs' employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3908) of William G. Greene, Jr., and Robert A. Havern (by vote of the town) for legislation to exempt certain clerical positions in the building department and in the board of health of the town of Billerica from provisions of the civil service law; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4082) of James Bourassa relative to preference on civil service lists for spouses of disabled veterans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4088) of Rosaire J. Rajotte that provision be made for veterans' preference in public employment; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4177) of the Boston Fire Fighters Local 718 and Kevin W. Fitzgerald for legislation to include fire fighters in the career incentive pay program reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 4445) ought to be adopted.

For the Committee,

TIMOTHY J. TOOMEY, Jr.

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

- 1 *Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service be authorized to
2 sit during the recess of the General Court to make an investigation
3 and study of current House documents numbered 179, 183, 343,
4 351, 352, 368, 390, 555, 579, 583, 584, 594, 600, 601, 611, 785,
5 789, 790, 791, 793, 817, 969, 978, 1015, 1021, 1025, 1207, 1208,
6 1211, 1212, 1213, 1217, 1221, 1391, 1401, 1581, 1792, 1803,
7 1989, 2192, 2197, 2202, 2371, 2375, 2771, 3338, 3343, 3710,
8 3719, 3727, 3908, 4082, 4088 and 4177 relative to the civil
9 service system, personnel matters and other related issues.
- 10 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of
11 its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any,
12 together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recom-
13 mendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the
14 House of Representatives on or before the last Wednesday in
15 December, nineteen hundred and ninety-seven.

