

By Ms. Malia of Boston, petition of Elizabeth A. Malia, Martin J. Walsh, Marie St. Fleur and another 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 Three.

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:*

1 Section 3(g) of Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws  
2 is hereby amended by adding the following new language:—  
3 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  
6 guards, guard sergeants, head guard and chief of waterfront  
7 police; officials and employees of the Department of Public  
8 Safety having police signal operators or signal maintenance  
9 repairmen; ambulance attendants of a municipal department who  
10 are required to respond to fires and perform duties assigned to  
11 them; employees of a city or town who are employed as licensed  
12 electricians and elevator maintenance men employed by a county;  
13 employees of Cushing Hospital; employees of the Commonwealth  
14 or of any county, regardless of any official classification, except  
15 sheriff, superintendent, assistant deputy superintendent and cor-  
16 rection officers of county correctional facilities, whose regular  
17 and major duties require them to have the care, custody, instruc-  
18 tion or other supervision of prisoners; and employees of the Com-  
19 monwealth or of any county whose regular and major duties  
20 require them to have the care, custody, instruction or other super-  
21 vision 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;  
25 provided, that no member who attains age sixty-five while classi-  
26 fied in Group 1 may thereafter be classified in Group 2, irrespec-  
27 tive of change in employment.