

By Mr. Long of Fall River, petition of John J. Long and another relative to the classification under the state retirement system of certain employees of the Department of Natural Resources whose duties are hazardous. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CLASSIFICATION UNDER THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES WHOSE DUTIES ARE HAZARDOUS.

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 1. The definition of Group 2 in paragraph (g) of
2 subdivision (2) of section 3 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as
3 most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 809 of the acts of
4 1972, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 5 and 6,
5 the words “, conservation officers paid as such, district fire
6 wardens, coastal wardens in the department of natural re-
7 sources”.

1 SECTION 2. The definition of Group 4 in said paragraph (g)
2 of said subdivision (2) of said section 3 of said chapter 32, as
3 most recently amended by section 2 of said chapter 809, is here-
4 by further amended by inserting after the word “superin-
5 tendent”, in line 30, the words: – , and the director and assistant
6 directors of law enforcement of the department of natural re-
7 sources, and natural resource officials, the chief fire warden and
8 district fire wardens of said department.

1 SECTION 3. Section 94 of said chapter 32 is hereby
2 amended by inserting after the word “Airport”, in line 16, as
3 appearing in chapter 610 of the acts of 1963, the words: – or to

4 the director, assistant director, and enforcement officers of the
5 division of law enforcement in the department of natural re-
6 sources, or to the chief fire warden, district fire wardens, patrol-
7 men appointed under section twenty-eight A of chapter forty-
8 eight of the General Laws, and forest fire truck drivers and forest
9 fire observers.

1 SECTION 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections one,
2 two and three of this act, those persons employed as conserva-
3 tion helper (Fire tower observer) and skilled conservation helper
4 (Forest fire truck driver) shall continue as forest fire truck drivers
5 and forest fire observers without loss of seniority, civil service, or
6 vacation rights.