

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2317

By Mr. Langone of Boston, petition of Joseph A. Langone, 3rd, that a certain physical condition or disease resulting in total or partial disability or death to uniformed employees of the Massachusetts Port Authority collecting tolls on the Mystic River Bridge be presumed to have been suffered in the line of duty under the accidental disability retirement law. Pensions and Old Age Assistance.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A CERTAIN PHYSICAL CONDITION OR DISEASE RESULTING IN TOTAL OR PARTIAL DISABILITY OR DEATH TO THE UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES OF THE MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY WHO COLLECT TOLLS ON THE MYSTIC RIVER BRIDGE SHALL BE PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN SUFFERED IN LINE OF DUTY, WITH REFERENCE TO THE ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT LAW.

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

1 Chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking  
2 out section 94, as most recently amended by chapter 580 of the  
3 acts of 1956, and inserting in place thereof the following  
4 section:—

5 *Section 94.* Notwithstanding the provisions of any general  
6 or special law to the contrary affecting the non-contributory or  
7 contributory system, any condition of impairment of health  
8 caused by hypertension or heart disease resulting in total or  
9 partial disability or death to a uniformed member of a paid fire  
10 department or permanent member of a police department, or  
11 of the police force of the metropolitan district commission, or of  
12 the state police in the department of public safety, or of the  
13 capitol police, or of the public works building police, or to any  
14 employee of the registry of motor vehicles in the department of  
15 public works who entered the service of the registry as an investi-  
16 gator or examiner and performed police duty, or to any em-

17 ployee in the department of correction whose regular or inci-  
18 dental duties require the care, supervision or custody of prisoners,  
19 criminally insane persons or defective delinquents, or to any  
20 permanent crash crewman, crash boatman, fire controlman or  
21 assistant fire controlman employed at the General Edward  
22 Lawrence Logan International Airport, or to any uniformed  
23 employee of the Massachusetts Port Authority whose duties  
24 include the collection of tolls on, or the police patrolling of, the  
25 Mystic River bridge or its appurtenances, shall, if he successfully  
26 passed a physical examination on entry into such service, which  
27 examination failed to reveal any evidence of such condition, be  
28 presumed to have been suffered in line of duty, unless the con-  
29 trary be shown by competent evidence.