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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Jeffrey Davis Perry (BY REQUEST)**

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*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General  
 Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the retirement benefits of John P. Cummings

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| John P. Cummings | 12 Briggs Ave  Bourne, MA 02532 |

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to the retirement benefits of John P. Cummings.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding section 7 of chapter 32 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, and in order to promote the public good, the State Board of Retirement shall grant an increased accidental disability retirement allowance to Lieutenant John P. Cummings of the Town of Bourne, who as a result of injuries sustained while in the performance of his duties on November 7, 1989 is permanently unable to perform the essential duties of his job and incapacitated for further services as a Correction Office III. John P. Cummings shall receive a yearly amount of pension of 72% of the rate of compensation which would have been paid to him had he continued in service as a Correction Officer III of the Department of Correction which was held by him at the time of his retirement. This disability allowance shall maintain parity with Correction Officer III collective bargaining increases of pay.

SECTION 2. Upon the death of John P. Cummings, leaving Virginia Cummings, his wife, surviving him, the State Board of Retirement shall pay to her so long as she remains unmarried, an annuity of the amount of three-fourths of the amount of the pension payable to him at the time of his death.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.