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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Mr. Brewer**

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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 survivor benefits of Arline M. Grammo.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Mr. Brewer | Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S01449 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to the survivor benefits of Arline M. Grammo.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation for this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is forthwith to make it in the best interest of Robert E. Grammo, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Hampden county regional retirement board shall pay to Robert E. Grammo, widower of Arline M. Grammo, who was a retired member of the contributory retirement system, an amount equal to the amount he would have received as her surviving beneficiary upon her death on August 31, 2004, if she had elected Option (b) of subdivision (2) of section 12 of chapter 32 of the General Laws when she retired on July 29, 2003.