

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas M. McGee

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 pension benefits for widows of disabled public employees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

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DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Third Essex and Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01547 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PENSION BENEFITS FOR WIDOWS OF DISABLED PUBLIC
EMPLOYEES.

*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. Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking section 101 in its entirety and inserting in place thereof
3 the following new section:-

4 Section 101. In the event of the death of any former employee who had been retired under the
5 provisions of this chapter after having been found to be incapacitated for further duty by reason
6 of injuries sustained while in the performance of his duties, or who had been retired for ordinary
7 disability under the provisions of this chapter, under which retirement he was unable to provide
8 for any annual allowance to be paid to his widow at the time of his death, there shall be paid to
9 such widow an annual allowance equal to the retirement allowance established under section
10 90C 1/2, subject to the provisions of paragraph (e) of section one hundred and two; provided,
11 however, that any allowance payable under this section shall be in the alternative to any

12 allowance to which such widow would be entitled under the provisions of any other section of
13 this chapter. Any allowance which such widow may be receiving or any allowance which she
14 may have potential rights to receive, based on her own service to the commonwealth or any
15 political subdivision thereof, shall not make her ineligible to receive the allowance provided in
16 this section. The allowance provided by this section shall be paid by the same retiring authority
17 and from the same source as the allowance payable to the deceased former employee referred to
18 in this section.

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